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The hometown paper of Jerry and Jane Orlando

## Trees and treats



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Thinking about getting a Christmas tree this weekend? Wait just one week and that Christmas tree purchase will benefit the Winters FFA, which holds its annual Christmas tree sale on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6 and 7, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the high school ag site on Niemann Street. The fresh evergreens will be between 5-12 feet tall, and free home delivery is available. There will also be free cookies and hot chocolate, and evergreen wreaths for sale. Helping to get the word out about the FFA Christmas tree sale are, from left, FFA members Katie Anstead, Hannah Long and Tyler Pearce.

## City council meets Tuesday

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The only agenda item at press time was a public hearing and

second reading of an ordinance correcting and re-numbering conflicting sections of the Winters Municipal Code. All interested residents are welcome to attend.

## Council unsure about raising water rates

By MOLLY DAVIS  
Staff writer

The hottest topic at last week's Winters City Council meeting had nothing to do with fire, but everything to do with water.

The council met last Tuesday evening, Nov. 18, and breezed through a number of points on the consent calendar and discussion item list, only really hitting

a bump when the Water and Sewer Rate Study came up for discussion. This item, introduced by Shelly Gunby, director of financial management, requested authorization from the council to issue notice to property owners of a rate increase for water and sewer utilities.

In accordance of Proposition 218, rates would increase on Feb. 1, 2009, July 1, 2009, July 1, 2010

and July 1, 2011. Gunby's report stated that in Dec. 2005, the city approved water and sewer increases effective through July 1, 2008 with the understanding that the city and its citizens would have to switch to a metered water system to comply with state law. However, due to the city's size, this isn't a requirement. Instead,

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## FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

SOFIA BELEN FRANKLIN VILLALOBOS is the firstborn daughter of Consuelo Villalobos and Colby Franklin. Born on Oct. 20, 2008 at Kaiser Hospital in Sacramento, she weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Jorge and Esther Villalobos of Winters, and maternal great-grandparents are Anacleto Lopes of Mexico and Epigmenio Garcia (deceased). Paternal grandparents are Juanita and Greg Franklin of Arkansas and Denise Franklin of Sacramento, and paternal great-grandmother is Eleonor Franklin of Sacramento.

## Work in progress



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Maxicrete Inc. workers finish up the brickwork on the sidewalk in front of Cody's Market Place on Tuesday. Similar brickwork is being done at all four corners of Railroad and Main Street, where the bulb-outs are almost finished. Concrete on sidewalks will be poured in the upcoming days, and the entire project should be finished in mid-December. The intersection of Railroad and Main opened to vehicle traffic on Nov. 19.

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Vacaville and Fairfield.)

## WEATHER

Weather readings are taken  
at 9 a.m. each day, covering  
the previous 24 hour period.

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
Nov. 19		77	44
Nov. 20		73	48
Nov. 21		73	48
Nov. 22		71	38
Nov. 23		63	37
Nov. 24		67	39
Nov. 25		71	46

Rain for week: 0  
Season's total: 2.37  
Last year to date: 2.64  
Average to Nov. 25: 3.65

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## OBITUARIES

### Clyde E. Richards

Clyde E. Richards passed away unexpectedly in a vehicle accident in Kamiah, Idaho, on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008. He was 72 years old and a resident of Craigmont, Idaho.

Mr. Richards was born to Lafayette and Flora Richards on Feb. 2, 1936, in Quincy. The youngest of 10 children, Mr. Richards went to Meadow Valley Grade School and graduated from Quincy High School, after which he moved to Esparto, where he lived and worked for 35 years at Madison Sand and Gravel until he retired. He came to Idaho for several years to hunt with his friends, until he moved there in 2002. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Mr. Richards was preceded in death by his parents, four brother, four sisters and a half brother. He is survived by his sister, April Hill of Yuba City; his wife, Judith Richards of Craigmont; and his five children, daughter Sherri Evans and husband Brian of La Quinta; son Kelly and wife Carol of Chilcoot; son Matthew of Quincy; son Laurence of Craigmont; and daughter Lisa and husband Robert Peterson of Craigmont; as well as by five stepchildren, daughter Cynthia Carrion and husband Frank of Winters; son Gregory Fishbough and wife Jennifer of Robbins; son Richard Tunstall and companion Carol of Esparto; daughter Corina Couture and fiancé Bill Morris of Weippe, Idaho; and son David Boswell of Winters. He is also survived by 23 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend who will be missed by all, said his family. Donations to help the family can be made at Wells Fargo, Craigmont, Idaho, Re: Clyde Richards. Arrangements are being made by Uhlorn Funeral Home in Cottonwood, Idaho. Memorial services will be held in Esparto at a later date.

## Weekly police report

### Oct. 31

~ 5:15 p.m., Isidro Vargas Cisneros, 22, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having a stereo audible over 50 feet.

### Nov. 10

~ 10:29 a.m., a found wallet was turned over to the police department. The owner was located and the wallet was returned.

### Nov. 11

~ 12:48 a.m., Lilian Renee Starling, 26, of Winters was backing up from a parking space on Main Street and collided with a parked vehicle belonging to Maegan Ireland.

### 11/16/08

~ 12:20 p.m., an officer assisted a California Highway Patrol officer with a subject in custody for driving under the influence.

### Nov. 18

~ 11:45 a.m., Noe Martinez Pascual, 20, of Rancho Cordova was arrested for having unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor and enticing a minor away from her family. Pascual was also arrested on three Placer County Sheriff bench warrants charging him with failure to appear on a previous charge of resisting arrest; failure to appear on a previous charge of giving false identification to a police officer; and failure to appear on a previous charge of being intoxicated in public. Pascual was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration. ~ 3:58 p.m., a found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

### Nov. 19

~ 2 p.m., on the 500 block of Edwards Street, an officer received a call regarding

child custody order issues. Parties were counseled.

### Nov. 20

~ 8 a.m., Alma Sanchez, 35, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver, failing to stop at a stop sign and failing to provide proof of insurance.

~ 9:46 a.m., on the 400 block of Edwards Street unknown suspect(s) broke into an unlocked vehicle and stole several items. Estimated loss: \$4,489.99.

~ 11:27 a.m., two female students got into a verbal altercation after school that turned physical. Both parties were counseled.

~ 1:15 p.m., on the 200 block of Suffolk Place, a parent and child involved in a verbal altercation. After the altercation, the child left the residence. Yolo County deputies and officers canvassed the area for the child and were unable to locate him. No further police assistance was requested by the family.

### Nov. 21

~ 8:52 p.m., on the 200 block of Creekside Way, officers responded to a residential audible alarm. Officers contacted the homeowner, checked the residence and found it secure.

### Nov. 22

~ 8:11 a.m., on the 900 block of Grant Avenue, an officer responded to a business alarm. The officer contacted the business manager who advised the activation was accidental.

~ 11:24 p.m., Mary Brennan Cooper, 47, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended license and having a brake light out.

# YESTERYEAR



File photo

Pictured above are some of the participants at the Winters High School Football Banquet held December 16, 1965. Left to right: Hobie Landrith, former San Francisco Giants catcher, who was featured speaker; Al Harter, Davis Volkswagen dealer who obtained Landrith; John Kammerer, high school athletic director; Newton Wallace, master of ceremonies; William Welch, high school principal; and Winters School Superintendent James Bernardy.

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YEARS AGO

December 11, 1958

Bill Duncan will serve as the master of ceremonies at the 13th Annual Ladies Night and Christmas Party, of the Winters District Chamber of Commerce, to be held Monday at the First Christian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dozier are the parents of a son, born Dec. 9 at Yolo General Hospital, weight 9 lbs. 1 oz.

Sabe Carrion, owner of Carrion's Chevron Service, reported to police Monday that someone broke into a Coke machine and took about \$20 in change.

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation is now releasing enough water from the Diversion Dam to maintain a live stream in Putah Creek as far as the McMahon Tract, according to H.E. Horton, Solano Project engineer.

Mrs. Marian M. Coble, of Winters, showed the champion Suffolk ram at the 50th Annual Livestock Exposition in Chicago this week.

Final plans for the Winters Rotary Club Scholarship were announced this week by A.G. Anderson, chairman of the scholarship committee. The initial award of \$300 will be given to a member of Winters High School Class of 1959.

Two Winters High football players, Jon Lindeman and Jerry Friesen, were mentioned in all-star selections of San Francisco newspapers Sunday.

Mrs. Alva W. Boyce left today for Richmond, where she will spend several days with her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Boyce, and she will greet her new granddaughter, Gray Lyn Boyce.

65  
YEARS AGO

December 10, 1943

The following were named as officers of the Service Club at the Monday meeting: T.S. Pleasants, president; Wm. G. Brinck, vice-president; R.A. Frisbee, secretary and treasurer; E.W. Fenley, sgt. at arms; and C.E. Wyatt, chef.

Wednesday, Dec. 15, is scheduled as the day for the annual free Christmas Show for children at the Winters Theatre, R.E. Degener, host.

At the directors meeting, Saturday in Woodland, E.R. Crum, Wolfskill district orchardist was named president of the Yolo County Farm Bureau.

One of the new Liberty ships under construction on the west coast will be named "William Wolfskill," for a member of a pioneer family.

Mr. R.F. Coombs has word from her son Melvin that he is on one of the Aleutian Islands.

Miss Josephine Fernandez, employed in Vallejo, had a few days vacation this week at her home in Olive District.

The W.C.T.U. will hold the annual Christmas meeting Friday evening, Dec. 17, at the home of Mrs. Mae Smith on Anderson Street. Mrs. L.M. Mermod is program chairman.

At the P.T.A. meeting calling Tuesday afternoon, a nomination committee composed of Mrs. G. Kidder, Mrs. Claude Meyer and Mrs. Lee Stith was named, to report at a meeting scheduled Jan. 18.

George Elmer Merchant, Jr. was among the U.C. students to receive his degree, Bachelor of Science. George is a dental student and is in the medical reserve Army service.

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YEARS AGO

December 11, 1908

Seventy of his friends gave a surprise party for John Brattin last Friday night.

New manager of the Winters Hotel is G.C. Beecher, also Wells Fargo Express Agent.

Mrs. Leo Netherland is suffering from rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Willis entertained at a merry Christmas party on Friday evening.

T.H. Brock was elected consul commander of Acacia Camp, Woodmen of the World, at Monday night's meeting. Other officers named were Allen Martin, N.A. McArthur, Charles Kettlewell, C.E. Wyatt, C.S. Chambers, William Chamberlain and C.M. Cole.

Dave Ritchie came over from Stockton and spent a few days with relatives the first of the week.

Buckeye Lodge, F. & A. M. elected officers as follows: F.W. Wilson, H. Roy Brinck, Joseph R. Griffin, D.H. Waughtel and W.S. Baker.

Cement sidewalks are being installed in front of their residence property by W.G. Nash, C.E. Wyatt, R.L. Day and D.O. Judy.

## Winters Library open Monday through Saturday

The Winters branch of the Yolo County Library is open on Mondays and Thursdays, 1-8 p.m.; Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-8 p.m.; Fri-

## Berryessa drops .09 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .09 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 1,495 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 413.78 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,130,324 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 35 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 33 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 35 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Mr. C. Roske, of Winters, made complaint to us this week of outrageous conduct perpetrated upon his wife by employees of the railroad company. Mrs. Roske came up from San Francisco on Wednesday evening to visit her daughter, who is attending St. Catherine's Convent, Benicia. On arriving there, she attempted to alight from the train, but as it was in motion, was restrained by a brakeman who told her that it would stop in a moment. The train did not stop, however, until Army Point was reached. She was then compelled to walk back to town, and being a stranger here took the track, being forced to crawl over culverts on the way. She arrived at the section master's house exhausted and it was found necessary to procure a conveyance to take her to the convent, where she has lain ill since.

Miss Hattie E. Elliott reached the 27th milestone in her journey of life on Wednesday last, and some of her friends being cognizant of the fact gave her a surprise party in her home, in honor of the event.



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# Parcel tax proposal advances

By **ELLIOT LANDES**  
Staff writer

Interim superintendent Pat Lewis updated the school board on progress towards a vote for a parcel tax, at the Nov. 19 meeting. The proposal, brought originally by teachers Kari Mann and Liz Coman, is in the exploratory stage. The board created an ad hoc committee in August to explore the prospects for the tax. The goal is to produce additional funding for the district to make up for reduced funding due to declining enrollment and the ongoing cuts from the federal and state governments. The committee is made of 22 members including teachers, trustees, parents, administrators, staff and community members. If the decision is made to put the proposal on the ballot, the committee will become the campaign committee. The meeting packet included a report from school consultant Jonathan Edwards, which covered details on the

process. There are 3,216 parcels in the district, with 2,588 in Yolo County and 648 in Solano County. The financial climate has deteriorated massively since the committee began its work, making the case for a parcel tax much stronger, but also increasing doubts about the public's willingness to accept a tax increase. The proposal would need a 2/3 taxpayer vote for approval. The committee's first job will be to hire a firm to conduct a phone survey to determine community support in general, and specifically how much tax will be acceptable. The committee is considering three proposals from survey firms that would conduct the phone survey. The cost of the study will be between \$12,000 and \$17,000. Asked about costs by trustee Rob Nickelson, Lewis said the committee is looking to keep costs down by having the issue ride on a regular election, either June

or November 2010, as opposed to a special election. "If the feeling in the community is that this is not the time," said Lewis of the survey, "this will show up in your data." "If we bypass that (the survey)," said Nickelson, "it will show up when they vote for it." Trustee Rodney Orosco, who is on the committee, said he was concerned about the cost of the survey as well, but liked the fact the survey will provide a range of costs the community could support. "The survey will ask, 'Would you support this much?', or 'How much is too much?'," said Orosco. "Why can't you put that on the ballot, either or?" asked Nickelson. "You could say, vote for this much, or vote for that much." "They'll only let you have one at a time," answered Lewis. "And (if it wins) you'll have to pay the county to collect those taxes. It's about \$15,000, but you can use the tax proceeds to pay

for that." "The committee is still narrowing what specific things it might have on the measure," said Lewis. "They've got it down to a two page list. They could be things like 'continued availability of secondary music programs' or 'continued availability of secondary and elementary library services.' That's the type of statement. I'm not saying that's what they'll come up with. Then the phone survey will handle it further. If you do the survey, you'll find what the community and the voters are interested in." A subcommittee of five is doing reference checks on the three survey firms. They will bring their recommendation to the next school board meeting, which will be held Dec. 11 in the Walnut Room at the district office, 909 West Grant Avenue, at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public, and there is an opportunity to address the board on any subject.

## Hispanic group to meet

The City of Winters Hispanic Advisory Committee (HAC) will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 6 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall, 318 First Street. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Town Hall forum.
- ~ Community gar-

den update.

- ~ Information night.
- ~ Wills, trusts and powers of attorney.
- ~ HAC Scholarship.
- ~ Review festival income and expenses.

The committee will meet again on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 6 p.m.

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agendized for discussion, because he has heard from teachers that are getting increasingly alarmed. "We would have had it on the agenda tonight, except we don't have anything to go on until the legislature makes some decision about how they will cut. Some ways are more harmful to us than others. They can break down into

your revenue or your reserves, or take away your reserves. That's the worst. It will be a mixture of things, and we'll have to wait until they make their decision. Asked about the timing by trustee Matt Brickey, Lewis said the legislature will try to get the cuts right away, but will end up backing off and getting the cuts in the next school year. "And stay tuned, said Lewis, "the beat goes on."

## RATES

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staff compiled a new rate analysis to "determine the consequences to residents of converting to consumption based billing system," according to the report. Earlier this year, Foresight Consulting prepared the analysis and a draft recommending the adoption of multi-year rate increases, continuing with flat rates for single family customers until all homes are metered, installing meters for non-single family customers, changing multi-family rates and, perhaps most importantly, charging those individual customers needing new meters. The report says, "Funding for the cost of new meters should be directly borne by the individual customers (needing) new meters based on the following options: direct payments (total cost \$1,000), quarterly installment (four payments of \$258 in one year; total cost \$1,032) and monthly surcharge (12 monthly payments over five years of \$18.87 per month; total cost \$1,132.27)." Gunby illustrated her report with a Power Point presentation detailing the Prop. 218 requirements and how Foresight's plan meets them, as well as the city's needs. The proposition requires that everyone pay their fair share of water/sewer use, and allows the state to fine cities that do not meet the requirements, at the rate of \$10,000 per day in a worse case scenario. Prop. 218 does not require an actual vote but rather a written response in protest from citizens to the city. She also noted that the city could allow more financial provisions to those citizens for whom the cost of a meter would be a burden. "Personally, I think we need to move to water meters as soon as possible. It's the right thing to do," said Mayor Pro Tem Woody Fridae. Council voted 3 to 1 to issue notice to citizens, with Fridae, Cecilia Aguiar-Curry and Mayor Michael Martin voting yes, and Harold Anderson voting no. Councilman Tom Stone was not present at the Nov.

18 meeting.

Another item heavily discussed was enrollment in the Climate Registry for measuring the city's greenhouse gas (GHG) footprint. Dawn Van Dyke, management analyst, introduced a report on the AB 32 Scoping Plan. According to Van Dyke's report, AB 32 establishes a statewide GHG commissions cap. It sets a goal of reducing emissions by 30 percent in 2020 and by 80 percent in 2050. Staff simply recommended that at this time, the city enroll as a member of the Climate Registry at a cost of \$450. Van Dyke added that the city's registration would set a positive example to the citizens of Winters. The council unanimously approved enrollment. Besides these two discussion items, Mayor Martin issued a proclamation to Janice Critchlow in recognition of National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week, Nov. 16-22. Cas Ellena, city redevelopment and economic development director, recommended that Aguiar-Curry participate in the Yolo County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies Committee, admitting that it is "not a huge commitment," and only requires three meetings for the city to be able to apply for redevelopment funds. Finally, Dan Maguire, city housing programs manager, and Ana Kormos, director of health education and outreach for Winters Healthcare Foundation, gave a presentation on their findings for a good spot for the city's community garden. After researching aspects like soil, access to water, sunlight, parking, restrooms, visibility and ease of access to site, staff found that of five locations tested, Redwood Grove (near the community center) would be the best spot. The council enthusiastically agreed that the Redwood Grove spot would be the best and that staff should proceed with that location. After Maguire and Kormos' presentation, the meeting adjourned. The city council meets again in the council chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m.

## Yolo Red Cross offers classes

The American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering the following classes in December:

- ~ Adult, Child, Infant CPR/AED Review, Wednesday, Dec. 10, 6-8 p.m.
- ~ Adult, Child, Infant CPR/AED plus First Aid, Monday and Wednesday, Dec. 2 and 4, 6-10 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- ~ First Aid Only, Tuesday, Dec. 9, 6-10 p.m.
- ~ Childcare CPR & Pediatric First Aid, Saturday, Dec. 6, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ~ Childcare Preventative Health & Safety, Sunday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

These classes take place at 120 Court Street, Woodland. For more information, call, 662-4669. Registration may be done online at [www.yc-arc.org](http://www.yc-arc.org).



## Chamber calendar

**Saturday  
Dec. 6  
5:30 p.m.  
Community  
Christmas  
Tree Lighting  
and  
Winters  
Wonderland  
Gazebo at  
Rotary Park,  
Downtown**

**Monday  
Dec. 8  
5:30 p.m.  
Chamber  
Mixer  
Realty World  
Annual  
Chili Cookoff**

**Friday  
Dec. 12  
7 a.m.  
Chamber  
Meeting  
Community  
Center**

## And the winner is...



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winters Chamber of Commerce president Nancy Meyer draws this week's Shop Winters & Win winner, Crysta Garnett, who entered the weekly drawing at Warrior Video. Assisting Meyer with the drawing is City Housing Manager Dan Maguire, who has served as the spokesperson for the Shop Winters & Win campaign. Although the drawing ends this week, downtown business owners hope that visitors will keep coming through their doors as the downtown streetscape construction project finishes up. The intersection of Railroad and Main was opened to vehicle traffic on Nov. 19, and the project is expected to be finished in mid-December.

## It's easy to join the Winters Chamber of Commerce! Just call 795-2329!

For a list of Winters Chamber of Commerce members  
visit the Chamber website: [www.winterschamber.com](http://www.winterschamber.com)

## Winters Wonderland is Saturday, Dec. 6

It will be a Winters Wonderland on Saturday, Dec. 6, with holiday festivities happening all day long. The day begins with the annual Winters Friends of the Library Holiday Festival, featuring food, crafts, music, a book fair and children's activities, at the Winters Community Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This year's festival includes a silent auction of 25 beautifully decorated fresh evergreen Christmas wreaths.

The Community Center will be decorated in festive style for the arrival of Santa and one of his elves. Children can choose to make several crafts, including beeswax candles, felt shooting stars, lavender sachets, tree ornaments, tin trivets, holiday cards and orange pomanders.

There will be a Raffle Tree full of wonderful items to win. New this year is a silent auction for bidding on decorated Christmas Wreaths, many of which were created by local artists.

Following the Holiday Festival, the downtown businesses will all be open, and several have special

activities in conjunction with the montly Winters Walk. At 5:30 p.m., Christmas caroling and treats will be offered during the annual lighting of the community Christmas tree at Rotary Park. The Winters Friends of the Library will hold a raffle for \$2,500 in prizes at the Christmas tree lighting, and Santa Claus will arrive by Winters fire truck to greet little ones at the Rotary Park gazebo.

Following the Christmas tree lighting, local author Katie Whitmarsh will have a book signing for her new healthy cookbook, The Bee Well Cookbook. Downtown businesses will be open for the evening, from 5:30-7 p.m., and carolers will stroll the downtown area.

Everyone is welcome at all the holiday festivities, and 1900s-era holiday attire is encouraged.

Also on Dec. 6 and continuing the following day, the Winters FFA will hold its annual Christmas tree sale at the high school ag site on Niemann Street, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on both days. The sale is a major fundraiser for the FFA, and home delivery is available.

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# Opinion



## DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

**ROTFLMAO!!!** For that one poor soul out there who still communicates by land-line telephone and snail mail, and has yet to crawl out onto the big, bad internet, that means “Rolling On The Floor Laughing My (butt) Off” in ‘net speak. It’s the most boisterous progression from merely Laughing (L), to Laughing Out Loud (LOL) to Laughing My (butt) Off (LMAO). Once you hit the ROT-FLMAO stage, you’re one snort from wetting yourself.

So, what had me ROTFLMAO? Why, an email from Troy A. Clarke, group vice president for General Motors in North America. Because I’m the owner of one of their fine products, Mr. Clarke sent me an email asking for my support.

“Dear Debra Lo Guercio,” he begins, “You made the right choice when you put your confidence in General Motors, and we appreciate your past support. I want to assure you that we are making our best vehicles ever, and we have exciting plans for the future.”

Ah, I see where this is going. You want me to be a good little consumer and trade in my car for a new one like it’s a disposable razor. Hah! It took five long, lean years to pay that puppy off, and I’m driving it until it sputters and collapses in a steaming heap of nuts and bolts in the driveway. Maybe then I’ll scrape it together and trade it in, but only on some tinkly-tiny little iPod on wheels that either gets 8,000 miles per gallon or runs on sunshine. By the way, Mr. Clarke, you guys don’t make those. As for sinking myself into debt for another of your gas-guzzling dinosaurs? As Sarah Palin would say, “Theenks, but no theenks.”

However, it seems Troy isn’t after more of my hard-earned money after all: “We need your help now. Simply put, we need you to join us to let Congress know that a bridge loan to help U.S. automakers also helps strengthen the U.S. economy and preserve millions of American jobs.”

Come again? You, Mr. Corporate-Jet-Flyin’-Six-Figure-Income-Five-Hummers-In-The-Driveway Man, you want ME to write a letter for YOU, urging Congress to please, please, please take a larger bite out of what I affectionately refer to as a paycheck so your luxurious lifestyle won’t be threatened? Awww, you mean you might have to forego that gold-plated toilet in your vacation cottage on Martha’s Vineyard? Oh, that’s just so wrong! (In ‘net speak, “L”!)!

Seriously? Take pity on you and write to my Congressman on your behalf? First off, no. Second off, like those people I somewhat less affectionately refer to as my representatives actually give a flip what I think? Believe me, I’ve written to them before about things far more dire than your imperiled expense account at Tiffany’s, and all I ever get back is a cheesy auto-response that says Mr. or Ms. Rep is deeply concerned about my deep concerns. Particularly if it’s an election year.

Well, Troy, the elections are over, so I rather doubt that I’ve got much pull with Mr. and Ms. Rep right about now. And besides, if I’m going to write to Congress pleading for a bailout, it’s going to be for someone who matters to me. Like... me.

But Mr. Clarke doesn’t give up that easily: “Despite what you may be hearing, we are not asking Congress for a bailout but rather a loan that will be repaid.”

Let me get this straight. You guys are going broke because you’re making a product no one’s buying, or even wants for that matter, and you want a few gazillion dollars to make even more of them? That no one’s going to buy, or even want? This is your repayment plan?

LOL! No wonder you guys are going broke!

But no, insists Troy, that \$25 billion loan the Big Three car companies want will “bridge the current crisis.” Bridge it to what, exactly? Another loan? Hey, Sarah, what did we say the last time someone proposed a bridge to nowhere?

Here’s the deal, Troy. Giving \$25 billion to the Big Three to increase their inventory of obsolete products makes about as much sense as pumping money into Underwood so it can produce more typewriters. Nobody wants ‘em. Or, as Congressman Gary Ackerman so succinctly quipped last week when the Big Three CEOs flew in to Washington on their private corporate jets with their gold-ringed hands out, “You don’t want to put your last tourniquet on a dead guy.”

LMAO!!!

Course, I bet you don’t think that’s so funny, do you, Troy.

I think it’s pretty hysterical. Almost as hysterical as Mr. Corporate-Jet-Flyin’-Six-Figure-Income-Five-Hummers-In-The-Driveway Man thinking that Ms. Working-Two-Jobs-Barely-Can-Afford-Pizza Gal would feel sorry for you and write a letter on your behalf.

ROTFLMAO!!!

Pity you guys in your hard, hard times? Hah! I’ve got a reverse Marie Antoinette for all those CEOs with their private jets and expense accounts and gold-plated toilets: Let them ride bikes.

**OUT OF OFFICE COUNTDOWN:** Seven weeks! Only seven weeks! On the ‘net, that looks like this: =D



## LETTERS

### Thanks, from swim team

Dear Editor,

The Winters High School Swim Team wishes to express its thanks and appreciation to our community for its support this past season. Thank you to community member Sharon Blaha and Subway owner Rob Singh for helping us with our very successful fundraiser, our Swim-A-Thon, which was held in early September.

We swam and swam for miles and miles in our hometown pool to raise money for our team. We raised over \$2,000 and were able to purchase a computer program that allows us to run our meets effectively and accurately. Sharon helped us organize this event and also secured donations from Subway. Rob donated coupons that were given to our donors and gift cards that were given to our top pledge earners Tess Hyer, Freddie Lewis, and Morgan Fjord. He also provided delicious sandwiches at our league meet. Thank you, Sharon and Rob, for your generosity and willingness to help, and thank you to all who

pledged for us in our swimming efforts.

We would also like to thank Jon Tice and Dave Johnson who each donated a pace clock for our pool. We can’t train well without a pace clock. Now we have two for all swimming groups to use.

Thank you to Elizabeth Freed, Terry Sinkovich and Anietta Tice for running the results/scoring table efficiently.

Special thanks to Pat Risser who donated her time to officiate at our league meet. We appreciate her expertise.

Thank you to all the parents, school staff, and community members who volunteered to be timers at our home meets—we couldn’t have had the meets without your help. We appreciate everyone attending our meets, cheering us on, and helping us swim our fastest. We hope you had fun watching us swim. We had a great season thanks to all of you.

**COACH KEVIN CHESTER and the WINTERS HIGH SCHOOL SWIM TEAM**

### Sanders column was profound

Dear Editor,

The column by Donald K. Sanders in last week’s Winters Express is the most profound statement of the human condition I have ever read.

Thank you, Mr.

Sanders, for writing something both personal and universal. I wish every school child were required to study this. It could change the way we think and operate in the world.

**MAGGIE BURNS**

### Kids loved the trick or treating

Dear Editor,

The board, families and students of Winters Parent Nursery School would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to the downtown merchants that participated

in our Halloween Trick or Treating parade. The kids had so much fun and we are very grateful. Thank you very much.

**WPNS PARENTS and STAFF**

### Policy for Letters to the Editor

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week. When Monday is a holiday, the deadline is noon on the prior Friday.

Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694, or emailed to news@wintersexpress.com.

Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters.

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer, or if

emailed, must indicate the writer’s name. We may withhold writers’ names from publication upon request if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal or retribution. We reserve the right to determine legitimacy.

Letters submitted anonymously will not be printed.

We will accept letters of thanks naming individuals and local Winters businesses. Non-local individuals and businesses listed in letters of thanks will be edited out.

“Don’t forget what I discovered that over ninety percent of all national deficits from 1921 to 1939 were caused by payments for past, present, and future wars.”  
~ Franklin D. Roosevelt

Write to us: news@wintersexpress.com



## CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

**LIFE IS GOOD.** Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks for what we have, but a lot of us don’t take the time to sit back, smell the changing seasons and think about all that we have. Reading the news may make us think that the world is coming to an end, but look around. There are people going through hard times with more foreclosures in town than I can remember, and unemployment rates on the rise, but on the whole, things look pretty good.

If you are worried about the world, the economy or just life in general, count your blessings that you live in a country that can and will survive anything and everything. The war in Iraq seems to be winding down with the Iraqi people stepping up to take control of their country. Afghanistan is still a mess and may always be a mess, but Davis is just down the road, if that makes you feel better.

An online real estate service says there are 67 homes for sale in Winters, but there seemed to be plenty of duplication on the site. If you are thinking about buying a home this might just be your best chance. If your job is getting a little scary, think about taking a job in the newspaper industry. That was, hopefully, a joke. I don’t think newspapers are going anywhere. Those working in the buggy whip and adding machine industries probably thought the same thing.

As you are sitting around the dinner table, take a moment to say thanks.

**WHAT’S IN A NAME?** The city is in trying to come up with a new slogan. The suggestions I’ve heard so far are pretty lame. The latest batch are: “Winters: Northern California’s Home Town.” “Winters: Always in Season.” “Winters: Where Good Things Grow.”

Some of the suggestions apparently didn’t make it past the censors at City Hall. Where farm meets charm. Winters, not that far from civilization, or my all time favorite, too incompetent to grow. How about, Winters, almost underwater. I’m sure there are some great ideas out there, and if you want to take a minute or two out of your busy day, drop me a line charley@wintersexpress.com or write it down and drop it off at the office. I’m not sure what the prize should be, but we had better hurry before someone makes a decision that we will have to live with. Do you remember what our official slogan is: Winters, where springtime is forever.

For years the city slogan was the same as the Winters Express flag, “Gateway to the Monticello Dam.” We really didn’t take advantage of Lake Berryessa. The original vision was for boat sales and storage facilities. Like a lot of things, we missed the boat.

Have a great Thanksgiving.

### *Tell them what you think*

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# Trip leaves room for few bugs

By MOLLY DAVIS  
Staff writer

Erik Page is a man that knows about bugs. The kinds to eat, the kinds to avoid, the kinds that might do a person some serious damage, and the kinds that may just be ugly but otherwise harmless.

Page is not an exterminator, nor is he an entomologist (one who studies insects). Rather, he is an energy efficient lighting consultant, which really has nothing to do with bugs at all. Still, he knows what a silkworm tastes like and what a leech feels like.

After spending approximately three months in southeast Asia, traveling through Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Cambodia, Laos and more, Page had plenty of experience with entomology and other areas of zoology. Not to mention learning more about something a little more complex—himself.

The Winters resident recently left his job at UC Davis after spending 15 years as a research engineer, then director of engineering at the California Lighting Technology Center. He graduated from UC Berkeley as a mechanical engineer, and has been going ever since, largely due to advances in energy efficiency studies.

He and his wife, local author Katie Whitmarsh, moved to Winters nearly five years ago, after he was transferred to UC Davis. It was only recently that he decided to undergo a major life change by quitting his job to become an independent consultant.

“I had realized that if I were ever going to make it on my own, this was an opportune time — I’ve always wanted to work for myself,” Page said.

To mark the transition between working for a huge enterprise like the University of California to working for himself, Page went on an almost solo excursion to southeast Asia. He left in early July and returned in early October. The trip would prove to be crucial in finding himself and finding perspective in an increasingly commercially and technologically advanced



Courtesy photo

**Winters residents Erik Page and Katie Whitmarsh remember to take their Winters Express on their trip to Southeast Asia.**

world.

His trip began in Japan, where he spent a few days before moving on to Thailand, where he spent a few weeks and became scuba-certified. From there he traveled to Malaysia and spent a month in Borneo. Then his wife met him in Singapore, and from there he and Whitmarsh flew to Thailand, where they spent two weeks together and celebrated their 11th anniversary.

After saying good-bye to his wife, Page continued on his journey, visiting Cambodia, Laos and Bangkok. He experienced more scuba-diving, swimming with sharks, hiking approximately 7,000 feet to the top of Mt. Kinibalu, the highest peak of southeast Asia.

In a Christian village in Borneo, Page attended the wedding of the Chief’s daughter, and was surprised by how similar their wedding ceremony and reception were to American weddings.

He described Cambodia as “the craziest place I’ve ever been in my life...a few clicks away from total anarchy. Anything goes.” Laos, however, was the “polar opposite of Cambodia,” so laid back, quiet and safe.

Besides bugs encountered underfoot and such, Page had the opportunity to dine on deep-fried silkworm, which he described as

“terrible.” He said he “didn’t prepare (himself) for how bad it was,” noting that it was still gooey on the inside. However, he did pass on deep-fried tarantula.

Through all of this, he and Whitmarsh kept in contact via Skype, an internet-based phone system, and through his blog, <http://100daysofsolidude.blogspot.com>. He posted many pictures and narrated his travels, breaking things down into bite-sized pieces for the “MTV generation.”

Page said he was struck by how simply the rest of the world lives, and how much better that is, because it adds to one’s life.

“I don’t necessarily need to have a big screen TV to be happy,” he noted.

And coming from a place where he was working so much, he decided to work less and live with less stuff, and to enjoy his time.

But more than anything, Page came back with more confidence and more appreciation for what he does have, two things that will really help for his future endeavors.

Now that he’s home, Page already has consulting contracts, including one for the state’s public utilities commission. He still looks forward to more traveling, though maybe not places where deep-fried tarantula is the house specialty.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

**The Sawney Bean Band (from left, Winters residents Keith Cary, Robert Armstrong and Michael Sears) make a return acoustic performance at the Irish Pub & Coffeehouse on Saturday, Nov. 29, as part of the annual St. Andrew’s Day celebration.**

## Annual St. Andrew’s Day celebration is Saturday at Irish Pub & Coffeehouse

You don’t have to be Scottish to join in the annual St. Andrew’s Day festivities at the Irish Pub & Coffeehouse on Saturday, Nov. 29. The evening begins at 7 p.m., and includes a classic Scottish meal of haggis, and “nips and tatas” (parsnips and potatoes), as well as Scotch tasting.

Alex Henderson, owner of the Scottish Meat Pie Company, will once again recite

Robert Burns’ “Address to the Haggis,” and the evening will be highlighted by live acoustic music courtesy of the Sawney Bean Band, featuring Michael Sears, Robert Armstrong, Keith Cary and friends.

St. Andrew is considered to be the patron saint of Scotland, and is credited for introducing Christianity to the country.

Dinner and Scotch tasting of blends and

single malts costs \$35, with a \$5 discount for those who attend in Scottish attire. Dinner only is \$20, with a \$5 discount for those wearing Scottish attire.

There is no charge to come in and hear the music, and the regular bar fare will be available for purchase. No one under 21 will be admitted.

The Irish Pub & Coffeehouse is located at 200 Railroad Avenue.

## Training for hike leaders

Training begins in mid December for individuals interested in leading themed hikes for the Nature Outings program at Stebbins Cold Canyon Reserve. Stebbins Cold Canyon is one of the most pristine, back-to-nature places in all of Yolo and Solano counties, offering hiking, sightseeing and a place to breathe deeply in a natural setting.

Those with an interest in natural history, experiential activities, wildflowers, sustainable living, creative writing, working with kids, photography, biology, storytelling, yoga, astronomy or anything that connects others to the land can attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 2, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Davis Public Library, 315 E. 14th Street.

The training consists of four three-hour sessions on Dec. 14, Jan. 4, 10 and 17, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Stebbins Cold Canyon, and offers opportunities to explore and learn about the reserve. For more information or to attend the Dec. 2 meeting, email [jfalyn@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jfalyn@ucdavis.edu).



# Mayors meeting



Courtesy photo

**Sacramento Mayor-elect Kevin Johnson (center) brought together 13 area mayors on Thursday, Nov. 20, to begin developing regional strategies to tackle the challenges facing Sacramento area communities, and also to exchange ideas about the critical issues facing each of their communities. Topics included worsening local budget deficits caused by the state’s budget crisis and the broader economic downturn, and the recent report by the Sacramento Regional Transit Agency that financial difficulties may delay expansion plans into new areas. Currently, 2.1 million people live in the Sacramento region, and that number is projected to increase to 3.1 million by 2035. The mayors in attendance included Mayor Linda Budge (Rancho Cordova), Mayor Christopher Cabaldon (West Sacramento), Mayor Gary Davis (Elk Grove), Mayor Gina Garbolino (Roseville), Mayor Bill Harris (Marysville), Mayor Diane Hodges (Live Oak), Mayor Russ Kelley (Loomis), Mayor Michael Martin (Winters - last on right), Mayor-elect Leslie McBride (Yuba City), Mayor Steve Miller (Citrus Heights), Mayor Keith Nesbitt (Auburn), Mayor-elect Spencer Short (Lincoln) and Mayor Brett Storey (Rocklin).**

## Citizens group files complaint against state over prison site

**By LAUREN KEENE**  
**Enterprise staff writer**

A group of Yolo County citizens opposed to the construction of a re-entry prison facility near Madison are seeking a state investigation of how jail construction funds have been disbursed by the state Corrections Standards Authority.

Save Rural Yolo County and its attorney, Tom Barth, requested the investigation in an administrative complaint filed Thursday with the California Office of the Inspector General, which oversees the state Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The complaint alleges that the CSA board en-

gaged in “irregularities” in its allocation of jail construction funding under Assembly Bill 900, the Public Safety and Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007.

Yolo County was awarded \$30 million in jail expansion funds under the bill earlier this year, and in exchange agreed to help the state find a site for a 500-bed re-entry facility that would provide counseling and job skills to prison inmates serving the final year of their sentences.

A split Yolo County Board of Supervisors later selected a 15-acre site east of Madison for the project.

State corrections offi-

cials are hoping the re-entry program will reduce parolees chances of re-offending and returning to the overcrowded prison system.

In their complaint, Barth and Save Rural Yolo County members say the CSA board changed the criteria for grant recipients during the application process without giving some counties an opportunity to amend their applications.

They also allege that the board accepted late siting agreements from some counties—including Yolo — while other counties were denied deadline extensions for their agreements.

“It seems as though this program started out

with a certain structure, and continually morphs into something new,” Barth said Monday. “By changing the procedures... the CSA board is treating certain counties differently — either better or worse — than other counties.”

In addition the complaint, Save Rural Yolo County has filed a lawsuit to block the re-entry project, which its members say violates the county’s General Plan, as well as environmental and land-use laws. A similar lawsuit was filed earlier by the Yolo County Farm Bureau.

# DA reports phone solicitation scams

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig reports that there has been a sharp increase in consumer complaints and inquiries regarding telephone solicitations for “extended automobile warranties.”

Typically, solicitors call car owners at their homes or on their cell phone to advise that their service warranty is expiring. Solicitors then offer car owners the opportunity to extend their warranty at a “greatly reduced one day only cost.” Solicitors then request both personal and credit card information. This information may then be used for fraudulent purposes.

“We recommend that if you receive this type of phone call ask the solicitor for a contact phone number. After carefully reviewing your auto warranty then call the company back,” reports Heidi D’Agosti-

no, enforcement officer of the Consumer Fraud Division. “Typically once a consumer calls back they find that the phone number is not working or does not accept incoming phone calls.”

It appears as if these telemarketing companies are purchasing lists of names and phone numbers of people who have had their cars for four years. This is the average warranty expiration date of newly purchased automobiles.

“Unfortunately, with the present economy consumer fraud has increased dramatically,” says Reisig. “Please report solicitations like these extended warranty scams that appear odd or too good to be true.”

For more information, contact Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney Jonathan Raven, 681-2312.

Getting married? Just had a baby?  
Announce it in the Express — it’s free!

Call 795-4551 for assistance or send  
information to [news@wintersexpress.com](mailto:news@wintersexpress.com)

## People with high cholesterol needed for study

USDA, ARS, Western Human Nutrition Research Center needs healthy men and women, ages 20-65, with high cholesterol 200-300 mg/dL, to participate in a 127-day study. The study will learn about the effects of citrus limonoids on the risk factors for cancer, heart disease and arthritis. Citrus Limonoids are compounds found in citrus fruits. Also, study visits are on the UC Davis campus.

Participants must be non-smokers and not

taking lipid-lowering medications. Also, women must not be pregnant or lactating. Study visits are on the UC Davis campus.

This study includes

information about blood cholesterol and financial compensation for participation.

For more information, call 752-5177, and press 1.



# Community



Courtesy photo

**Jessica Kilkenny and Andrea Berry are all smiles after their seasonally decorated table was announced last Friday to be the winner of the Thanksgiving-themed table setting entries at the Winters Participation Gallery. Decorated tables are on display through the end of November. The gallery is located at 18 Main Street.**

## Mother/daughter team takes top prize

**By MICHAEL BARBOUR  
Special to the Express**

Earlier this month, seven decorated tables were on display in the Winters Participation Gallery/Center for the Arts and visitors could vote for their favorite. All seven were so beautiful and unique that some found it difficult to decide which to vote for. (In fact, some voted for more than one of the entries and a few voted more than once for their favorite.)

The entry created by Jessica Kilkenny and Andrea Berry

was submitted in the name of the First Northern Bank, and was the winning entry. Other entries were from the Winters Friends of the Library, St. Anthony Catholic Church, the Winters Chamber of Commerce, Winters Theatre Company, Jill Coursin, and the Winters Participation Gallery itself. Congratulations to all seven designers for their gorgeous entries.

The next Gallery event will be on Saturday, Dec. 6, immediately following the Christmas tree lighting at Rotary Park. An

open house with hot chocolate, cookies, and a book signing by Winters' own cookbook author Katie Whitmarsh is planned. Everyone is invited to stop by.

The Gallery is centrally located 18 Main Street, just a few doors up from The Buckhorn and across the street from The Palms. It is a non-profit art gallery that offers a venue for regional artists to display their work, hands-on classes in art taught by well-established artists, and financial assistance to the high school art program and its students.

## Give a pint, get a pint at next blood drive

It's the season for giving a precious gift that no one else can give. Blood cannot be artificially manufactured, bought on eBay, or created by good intentions. It can only be donated. Patients recovering from accidents, struggling through cancer treatments, healing from burns, or facing unexpected surgeries are counting on the precious gift of blood this season.

The next local blood drive, sponsored by the Winters Lions Club and BloodSource, takes place on Monday, Dec. 1, from 3-7 p.m. at the Winters Community Center. Besides helping someone out, blood donors will also receive a coupon good for a pint of Baskin Robbins ice cream during the month of December, as part of the "Pint for a Pint" program.

Donating blood is

safe, easy and takes about an hour. Donors must weight at least 110 pounds, be at least 17 years old (16 with a signed BloodSource parental consent form, which can be downloaded at [www.bloodsource.org/HowYouCanHelp/HighSchoolProgram](http://www.bloodsource.org/HowYouCanHelp/HighSchoolProgram)) and be generally healthy. There is no upper age limit for blood donations.

For more information about giving blood, call Heather, (800) 995-4420, extension 60046

### About BloodSource:

Established in 1948 as a not-for-profit community blood bank, BloodSource provides life-saving services to millions of people in 25 counties throughout Northern and Central California. To learn more about BloodSource, visit [www.bloodsource.org](http://www.bloodsource.org) or call (866) 822-5663.

## City seeks students for water aerobics class

The City of Winters is evaluating the possibility of offering a water aerobics classes taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8-9 p.m., and Saturdays, 9-10 a.m.

The teacher will be Christine Avellar. The cost is \$60 per month or \$8 per class on a drop-in

basis.

Community interest must be expressed before the city will proceed with offering the classes.

To express interest in attending the classes, call Traci Nakamura at City Hall, 795-4910, extension 102.

## December Winters Walk adds to holiday festivities

**By DEBORAH LAMOREUX  
Special to the Express**

Kick off this holiday season on Saturday, Dec. 6, and visit several art venues in peaceful downtown for the upcoming Holiday Winters Walk. Shop for unique handmade art gifts for those special people in your life. Pick up a schedule of exhibits at the participating art venues. This event takes place in conjunction with the Community Christmas Tree Lighting at 5:30 p.m. at Rotary Park.

Begin the Holiday Winters Walk at Briggs & Company, 820 Railroad Avenue, just one block north of downtown. Briggs presents Linda Galusha's exhibit of painted found objects with nature themes, such as black crows on wood fencing. Briggs & Company specializes in award-winning contem-

porary crafts, including jewelry, ceramics, glass, fiber and custom furniture. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 795-9505 or visit [www.briggsandco.com](http://www.briggsandco.com).

Next stop, Winters Participation Gallery/Center for the Arts, located at 18 Main Street. The gallery has the works of 12 regional artists currently on display from 12-8 p.m. Local author Katie Whitmarsh will be signing her books from 6-8 p.m. There will be an open house from 6-8 p.m., with cookies and hot chocolate, and a sparkling Christmas Theme Holiday Table art contest will take place.

For more information, call 795-0608 or visit [www.wintersarts.org](http://www.wintersarts.org). Di-

rectly across the street, stop in at the Berryessa Gap Vineyards tasting room at 15 Main Street, which displays local artists' work. The wine tasting room will be open from 12-8 p.m. For more information about the winery, visit [www.berryessagap.com](http://www.berryessagap.com).

The Clayground, a ceramic studio/gallery owned by artists Shannon Moore-Jervis and Rebecca Bresnick Holmes. Rebecca will sell her pottery and ceramic art from there between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., and Shannon will sell her pottery and sculpture at The Clayground's studio at 9E Main, Studio 9G from 12-4 p.m. For more information, visit [www.clayground.biz](http://www.clayground.biz).

At Steady Eddy's Coffee House at 5 East Main Street, you will find experimental paintings

made with actual coffee by artist Alan Klinger. The newest gallery in town is the Deborah Lamoreux Gallery/Studio at 9 East Main Street. The gallery features colorful paintings and photographs by the artist. Currently on view is The Green Dog Project, playful acrylic paintings inspired by Mexican folk art figurines. In addition, photographs, posters, and cards of regional landscape scenes are for sale. Hours for the Winters Walk are 12-6 p.m. Regular hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 12-5 p.m. or call for 400-6747 for an appointment.

## YOLOBUS offering rides

YOLOBUS is offering service to and from Sacramento International Airport over the Thanksgiving holiday. Fares are \$1.50 for regular passengers, 60¢ for disabled or senior passengers with valid identification and 75¢ for children 5-13. Two children, ages 4 and younger, may ride free when accompanied by an adult passenger.

Transfers are possible between YOLOBUS and Sacramento Regional Transit buses and light rail in downtown Sacramento. Passengers must be able to handle their own luggage.

For more information, call 666-BUSS (2877) or visit [www.yolobus.com](http://www.yolobus.com).



# Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

## Día de Acción de Gracias

La palabra “Thanksgiving,” el Día de Acción de Gracias, evoca para muchos norteamericanos buenos recuerdos de reuniones con familiares y amigos, vacaciones de cuatro días, el comienzo de las preparaciones para la Navidad, y el inicio de invierno con la nieve y el frío.

Thanksgiving es un día en que se da gracias a Dios por las numerosas bendiciones de la vida. Se puede decir gracias este día en un servicio religioso o en el silencio de su propio corazón. Se puede también mostrar su gratitud, ayudando a la gente de escasos recursos, dando donaciones de comida, ropa, y canastas con pavos que las iglesias y organizaciones distribuyen, o se puede ayudar a servir la comida típica de la fiesta a personas desamparadas o sin familia.

Aquí los Estados Unidos, Thanksgiving, el último jueves del mes, es el día en que la gente viaja más que en otro día festivo del todo el año. Algunos hacen sus reservaciones en avión con un año de anticipación. Las carreteras se llenan de carros, muchos de ellos dirigiéndose al aeropuerto. Todo esto es para reunirse con miembros de la familia, que en muchos casos viven en estados diferentes. Se celebra Thanksgiving en varias formas. Hay, por ejemplo, la campaña de la organización de Oxfam América en que la gente pasa todo un día antes de Thanksgiving en ayuno, enviando el dinero ahorrado por no comer para aliviar el hambre en el mundo.

Además, hay grupos de indígenas norteamericanos que se visten de duelo el día de Thanksgiving, para demostrar que la historia de esta fiesta está relacionada con la llegada de los colonos blancos, quienes desplazaron a los indígenas, hasta exterminarlos casi a todos. Como Thanksgiving cae el último jueves de Noviembre, mucha gente sigue celebrando el viernes, sábado y domingo, comiendo el pavo en varias formas durante todos estos días. Hay desfiles de Santa Claus durante este fin de semana que inician las festividades de Navidad y la temporada comercial más importante del año. El viernes después de Thanksgiving, las tiendas tienen una mayor cantidad de ofertas y se dice que la gente compra más en este día que en cualquier otro día del año.

Al buscar las raíces de la fiesta, encontramos una mezcla de historia y leyenda. Históricamente hubo un grupo de ingleses, llamado los puritanos, que por diferencias religiosas, se separaron de la iglesia oficial protestante de Inglaterra. Huyeron a Holanda donde consiguieron un barco, que llamaron el Mayflower (flor de mayo) para viajar a la Nueva Tierra de América, donde ya existía una colonia de ingleses en Jamestown, Virginia.

Así en 1620 embarcaron en el “Mayflower” por un mar que fue tan peligroso que muchos de ellos murieron antes de llegar a un lugar que designaron como la colonia de Plymouth (que ahora es parte de Massachusetts). La mitad de ellos murieron después en un invierno muy severo. Se dice que los indígenas les ayudaron a sobrevivir el invierno y en la primavera les enseñaron a cultivar plantas nativas de la región. Tuvieron una cosecha abundante y según la leyenda los indígenas y los puritanos juntos celebraron esta abundancia con una fiesta, a la cual los indígenas trajeron pavos y carne de venado.

En 1789 George Washington, el primer presidente de la nueva nación, declaró el 26 de Noviembre como un día de agradecimiento a Dios. Esta costumbre continuó año tras año, con varios cambios de fecha, hasta que en 1941, el Congreso de los Estados Unidos fijó el último jueves de Noviembre como el Thanksgiving Day oficial.

En Thanksgiving, se come platos nativos y tradicionales: “sweet potatoes,” una especie de camote, papas, calabazas, pan de maíz, “cranberry sauce” (salsa de una fruta roja y agria). Como postre, el pastel de calabaza (pumpkin pie) con nata y lo más importante, pavo relleno (stuffed turkey) con su jugo (gravy).

Lo que es interesante es que cada nuevo grupo de inmigrantes añade su comida y sus tradiciones a la fiesta, enriqueciendo la tradición. Lo que nos une, más que la comida y la historia, es que todos somos bendecidos por nuestro Creador. Vivir con gratitud cada día de la vida es la mejor forma de vivir. Feliz Día de Acción de Gracias.

## Celebración en Winters

El sábado 6 de Diciembre la ciudad de Winters, empezara las festividades tradicionales de los días festivos, que ya están aquí a la vuelta de la esquina, el día comenzara con la ya tradicional celebración del festival de la familia, patrocinada por los amigos de la biblioteca, en el festival se tendrá comida, artes,

actividades para los niños, música, etc.

A las 5 p.m., se cortara el listón, indicándonos que el proyecto de remodelacion que tomo varias semanas para transformar la intersección de las calles main y Railroad, ha llegado a su fin. Después de la ceremonia del corte del listón, se tendrán cantos

de Navidad y el encendido de las luces del árbol de Navidad del centro de la comunidad. Ahí mismo los amigos de la biblioteca de Winters, tendrán una rifa con \$2,500 en premios, y Santa Claus llegara en un camión de los bomberos para saludar a los niños.

## ¿Vendrán tiempos mejores?

Sin lugar a dudas la crisis económica que esta padeciendo este país, nos pone a los hispanos como los mas vulnerables, como las victimas perfectas en estos tiempos. Simplemente porque somos los hispanos los que tenemos posibilidades de trabajos mejor pagados, en parte por las barreras culturales y en mucha parte por las barreras académicas. Los que menos posibilidades tienen de obtener créditos por su corta historia de trabajo en el país.

Los hispanos somos los últimos en oportunidades, cuando andamos en busca de trabajo, y más si hay norteamericanos aplicando por los mismos puestos de trabajo que nosotros, y somos al mismo tiempo, los primeros en ser despedidos cuando se trata de reducir costos.

Los hispanos, desde que se inició la administración republicana de George W. Bush en el año 2001, han sido víctimas de una voraz persecución de los organismos inmigratorios. Solo el año pasado fueron deportadas unas 350 mil

personas, la mayoría de ellas hombres y mujeres honestos honrados que trabajaban sin documentación en el país, y a quienes el Departamento de Inmigración del Home Land Security calificó de “Fugitivos” “Pandilleros” y “Peligrosos.”

Los trabajos que más se han perdido son el sector de las fabricas, que es donde la mayoría de los hispanos trabajamos, donde se ubica el 80 por ciento de la población inmigrante latinoamericana.

No pedimos un trato especial del gobierno, pero si seria justo que se pusiera mas atención, que hubiera mayor sensibilidad para la gente que es inmigrante. Los inmigrantes indocumentados que viven en Estados Unidos desde hace años merecen salir de las sombras de la ilegalidad y trabajar y vivir sin miedo. Sus hijos, de los cuales una gran parte fueron traídos al país muy pequeños, se sienten y son americanos y tienen el derecho a las mismas prerrogativas que todos los niños ciudadanos; merecen el

derecho a tener una educación superior.

Esperemos que el nuevo gobierno, pueda hacer justicia con estas personas, que ahora sufren persecución y miedo, solo esperan una oportunidad para poder salir de las sombras y seguir siendo productivos.

Solo hay que reformar las leyes inmigratorias, de tal manera, que se protejan las fronteras pero también el derecho a la vida; que se conserve la cultura americana pero sin obligar a nadie a abandonar la suya; que trabajar para el indocumentado que lleva años viviendo en el país deje de ser un delito y que se respete su dignidad humana. Que suspenda de inmediato la persecución contra los inmigrantes la cual contradice el espíritu de justicia que inspiró el nacimiento de la nación.

No parece ser que sea mucho pedir, solo se esta pidiendo lo que es justo para que estas personas puedan integrarse a esta sociedad americana, no es mucho pedir, y si es mucho lo que se le pude ofrecer a los indocumentados.

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# Entertainment

## ‘Christmas’ gala captures spirit of the season

By MOLLY DAVIS  
Staff writer

Even the most miserly of Scrooges could not deny the charm of the Winters Theatre Company’s 2008 production of Charles Dickens’ classic, “A Christmas Carol.” From the costumes and accents, to the “special effects” of the Jacob Marley portrait, it was an all-around enchanting performance. But perhaps most charming were the adorable children who stole the show and gave an impressive performance.

The gala began with pumpkin pie, hot cider and champagne served to the audience, who were seated at warm, round tables decorated in green and reds in the Community Center.

After a few songs sang by carolers in period costumes gathered around a piano, a costumed Germaine Hupe took the stage to introduce this year’s performance. She explained that there were so many talented children who eagerly auditioned for the few childrens’ roles, that they “cast all of our charming children,” and personally wrote additional dialogue to include the extra members.

Following her introduction, Director Howard Hupe appeared as Charles Dickens himself, noting that “A Christmas Carol” was written 165 years ago, in 1843, about a man “as solitary as an oyster.”

The play is a social commentary about a mis-



Photo by Jeff Rawlinson

The cast of the Winters Community Theatre production of “A Christmas Carol” includes, clockwise from left: Mrs. Cratchitt (Anita Ahuja), Martha (Brittany Welty), Bob Cratchitt (Richard Kleeberg), Belinda (Grace Ferguson), Peter (Alec Romagosa), Tiny Tim (Emilia Orosco) and Emily (Elaina Hupe). The play continues this weekend at the Winters Community Center.

erable, miserly old man who is so focused on his work and earning money that he neglects to see the true gifts in life — family and friends. This man, Ebenezer Scrooge, learns this lesson through a series of Christmas “ghosts” who visit him and show him the errors of his ways and the consequences of his actions.

The play officially began with Act 1, Scene 2, in Scrooge’s office on Christmas Eve. Trent Beeby portrayed Scrooge, and did a fantastic job of projecting his voice, dripping with sarcasm, and condescending to everyone he encountered, like Bob

Cratchitt (played by Richard Kleeberg), Scrooge’s less fortunate employee, and Fred (Ben Moroski), Scrooge’s enthusiastic young nephew who tries to break Scrooge’s icy exterior.

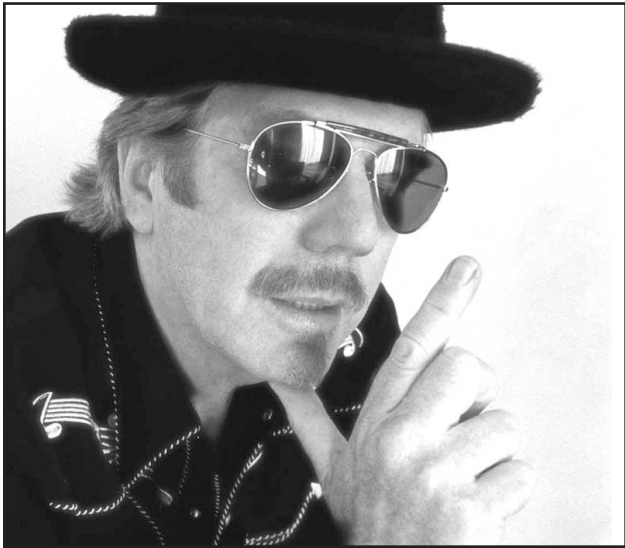
In Act 1, Scene 3, the ghost of Jacob Marley made his appearance. Played by Philip Pittman, Marley was Scrooge’s business partner, equally miserable and cruel. He is now weighed down by chains and forced to rue his poor behavior, and admonishes Scrooge to learn from his mistakes. Marley’s ghost first appears behind a portrait of Marley, painted by

Trent Beeby, which is eerily reminiscent of Disneyland’s “Haunted Mansion” ride. Through lighting and effects, Marley’s ghastly image merges with that of his former self, right before Pittman’s physical interpretation of Marley comes through Scrooge’s door.

True to his warning that if he doesn’t change his behaviors, Scrooge will have to bear the same chains as Marley, the Ghost of Christmas Past, played by Germaine Hupe, appears to Scrooge, and reviews with him his former life.

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## Hot ‘holidayze’ on the horizon



Courtesy photo

Dan Hicks and the Hot Licks are bringing their musical extravaganza, “Holidayze in Hicksville” to The Palms on Friday, Dec. 12 at 8 p.m. This one of a kind event features Hicks’ off-beat sense of humor and wide array of genres, from proto-psychedelia to western swing and jazz to tin pan alley and country blues, all while cultivating his own unique style. Tickets are \$25.

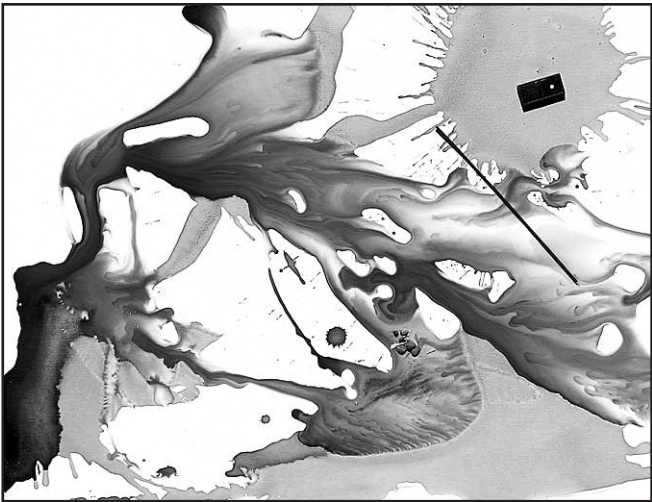
## Coffee becomes art at Steady Eddy’s

The works of Alan Klinger will be on display at Steady Eddy’s from Dec.1-30. Klinger uses coffee, glue, enamel and latex paint, and various “debris” to create his works on canvas.

Klinger was born in 1938 in Aberdeen, South Dakota. Following high school, he enrolled in college with not much of an idea as where to go. So, in 1958, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving 1958-61. Following his service in the Army, he returned to school and pursued his interest in art, completing a BA degree in art education from the Northern University in Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Family ties brought him west, and he took a job teaching art to junior high students in Roseburg Oregon. A year later, he moved to Davis, where he taught art to junior high students and ended up staying with the Davis School District teaching art for 34 more years.

During the summer months, he often attended Sacramento



Courtesy photo

Alan Klinger’s art will be on display at Steady Eddy’s from Dec. 1-30. Steady Eddy’s is located at 5 East Main Street. For more information, call 795-3588.

State University to deepen his appreciation for art history and continuing to develop his own art style.

Always interested in painting and structure, he experimented with many different media. In the 1970s, he started using coffee as a medium for his paintings. Since that time he has continued to expand and develop his own artistic style in pencil drawings, three dimensional boxes, and coffee.

“From high above the earth, everything

looks chaotic and nebulous, yet sub-atomically all of the particles that are the construct of our universe are just about the same,” says Klinger. “It’s the way they connect that allows us to recognize local shapes, like tables, cars, people, etc. So I wondered about the spaces between those shapes. I noticed the way spilled coffee evaporated in chaotic and nebulous ways and this seemed worth exploring.”

For more information, call 795-3588.

## Friends of the Library to hold Festival

The Winters Friends of the Library will be holding their Annual Family Holiday Festival at the Community Center on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities include crafts for children, live music performances, the Scholastic Book Fair, a silent auction of Christmas wreaths, food in Mrs. Claus’ Cafe, a visit with Santa and more.

## Vineyards to host holiday wine tasting

Accardi Vineyards will host a holiday wine tasting and shopping boutique on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 2-8 p.m. at the vineyard, 7924 Timm Road in Vacaville. Festivities will include wine tasting and sales on wine, wine spa products, and gourmet items.



# Express welcomes new staff writer

By **DEBRA LO GUERCIO**  
Express editor

Molly Davis, new reporter for the Winters Express, says she was quite familiar with small town life, growing up in Southern California in a town called Yucaipa, population 32,000. However, after relocating to Winters over the summer, she's discovered that what she once thought was a small town is a "booming metropolis" compared to Winters.

She admits that having to adjust to a relatively limited menu of social and recreational choices, as well as the inconvenience of having to drive to another town to get a pair of jeans or new shoes can be annoying, but the benefits of small town life are balancing that out.

To heighten the contrast even more, Molly didn't take a straight path to Winters. She spent some time living in Seattle for awhile first, and says she had "everything at her fingertips."

"There was a plethora of places to choose from — from shopping to coffee shops on every corner, open all the time," she says adding that it was much easier to meet people in her own age group (late 20s) who were "of the same mindset."

From shopping to socializing, it's a challenge for a single gal in her '20s to keep from getting bored silly, but Molly is managing.

"You have to live with the limitations of what the town offers, and be really creative in finding things that I need that are available here in town." She explains that you just need to reframe the problem. Rather than

insisting on something available elsewhere, you have to ask yourself "how can I utilize what is available."

Luckily, Molly doesn't have that much time to ponder that challenge, because she's been staying quite busy at the Express, covering city council and planning commission meetings, writing feature stories and learning to do assistant editing duties as well as compose pages on press day. She says working at the Express has turned out to be a lot more fun than she thought it would be when she first walked in the door.

"I love it," she says with a smile. "I love the work. I love the writing and the interviewing, and getting to know people and, just in general, the camaraderie."

She even admits to liking her fellow staff members at the Express office.

"I'm constantly entertained," she says.

There are a few other things she loves as well, including the band Pearl Jam (enough to tattoo a bit of their lyrics on her forearm), reading biographies and history, and movies, particularly comedy noire and film noire. And she also loves good beer.

"I will never turn down a Newcastle," she says.

A double major in American Literature and Film and Digital Media at UC Santa Cruz, Molly's last position was reporting for the Press Enterprise in Riverside. Besides reporting, she updated their website and did videography for it. Prior to that job, she has a rather eclectic background that includes working at a florist shop and a bridal shop. She says



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

**Molly Davis is the new staff writer at the Winters Express. She fills the position left by Justin Cox, who resigned to move to Chicago, where he is working on his masters degree in journalism at Northwestern University.**

she was able to glean experience from each of those positions that propelled her to the next step in life.

As a florist, Molly learned to freelance and strike out on her own, and eventually have her own sidewalk flower cart. The bridal shop taught her all about the importance of publicity, and how advertising is a key factor in a successful business and how to work with local newspapers. The Winters Express is the next step on her learning path, and she says she's learning all sorts of new skills.

"I've learned so much more than I ever imagined I would have learned," she says, in particular, (composing the actual newspaper pages on a computer screen). "There's a part of my brain that really enjoys paginating. It's like putting together a puzzle."

She also says she actually enjoys working in the disheveled rubble that is the Winters Express office.

"I'm such a neat freak at home. I like the atmosphere of the newspaper office — random stuff, everything's old. The atmosphere gives me a sense of urgency, like anything could happen. It's less predictable."

Clearly, Molly has a reporter's instincts. She's very observant of every detail and accurate in her descriptions. And she has one of the key qualifications one needs to work at the Express office: she didn't run away screaming after the first day on the job.

Anyone who would like to wish Molly well on her new venture as an Express staff writer or who has story ideas can email her at [molly@wintersexpress.com](mailto:molly@wintersexpress.com)

## Brennan is featured guest speaker in Davis

Georgeanne Brennan, author of "A Pig in Provence, Good Food and Simple Pleasures in the South of France," will be the guest of the Writers on Writing program at the Davis Public Library on Tuesday, Dec. 2. The talk will be held in the Blanchard Room

at the library, 314 East 14th Street in Davis, from 7-8:30 p.m. Books will be available for sale and signing courtesy of The Avid Reader, co-sponsor of the series with the Friends of the Davis Public Library.

For more information, call 756-8822.

## CAROL

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In front of a beautiful backdrop of a snow-covered bridge, Scrooge sees himself as a young man, portrayed with vigor by Dominic Orlando. The younger Scrooge pursues Isabelle (Mattilyn Long), the daughter of his boss, Fezziwig (Robert Fischer), but ends up losing her to his greed. Before that, however, the characters, along with other members of the Fezziwig clan, perform a dance choreographed by Long.

Act 2 began with Scrooge's visit from the Ghost of Christmas Present, played by Tom Rost. The ghost shows him how kindness can overcome greed, especially during the holidays. He takes him to see his employee's family, the Cratchitts. Mrs. Cratchitt (Anita Ahuja), vocalizes her dislike of Scrooge, but her husband, ever trying, tells her the family needs to be grateful for what little Scrooge pays him. The focal point of the Cratchitt family is Tiny Tim, their fragile son, played by the adorable Emilia Orosco.

The ghost continues to show Scrooge displays of greed, want and ignorance, and how they can be changed with simple acts of kindness. Then, in Act 2, Scene 4, Scrooge's present is replaced with the Ghost of Christmas Future, portrayed by a frightening Rodney Orosco, in a grim reaper's gown and skeletal hands.

Scrooge sees his future, and it's not pretty. Rather than mourn him,

townspeople rob him and put him down. Even worse, Tiny Tim has not survived, and the other Cratchitts can barely hang on.

Finally, in Act 2, Scene 5, Scrooge wakes to see that it's all been a horrible dream, but one that has taught him a valuable lesson. He sets out to do right by his employee, and sends over the largest turkey he can find. Next, he meets Fred and his fiancée, Elizabeth (Tessa Rawlinson), on the street, and accepts Fred's long-standing invitation to Christmas dinner. Finally, Scrooge rewards Cratchitt with a raise and raises Tiny Tim to his shoulders in a celebration of the season. Emilia Orosco, in her adorably sweet young voice, ends the play with the timeless quotation, "And God bless us, everyone!"

The large cast, under the direction of Hupe and assistant director JoAnn May, did a great job, and the crew can be quite proud of themselves, too. The sets and designs were fantastic, and the sound was wonderful. The costumes were lovely as well. It was indeed a spirited performance by all.

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed Friday and Saturday evenings, Nov. 28 and 29, and Dec. 5 and 6, at 8 p.m. at the Winters Community Center. There will also be a Sunday matinee on Nov. 29, at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$7 seniors and \$5 ages 12 and under.

For more information, call 795-4014.

## Dionisi to lead trip to Liberia, seeking donations for aid

David Dionisi of the Teach Peace Foundation will travel to Liberia, Africa, from Dec. 18 to Jan. 6, to spend the holidays with orphans of the 14-year civil war., He invites others to accompany him. Participants will help document the personal stories of war

orphans, start micro-businesses to help break the cycle of poverty, and deliver lifesaving gifts of chickens and goats. Those who can't travel but want to help can donate \$25 for a family to receive chickens, \$120 for the gift of a goat, \$300 to help start a micro-

business, or \$2,400 for a well, enabling an entire village to have clean drinking water. Over 90 percent of donations will be applied to the gifts, which are tax deductible. For more information, visit [www.teachpeace.com](http://www.teachpeace.com). or call Dionisi, 554-7061.



# Sports

## Swimmers honored at banquet

By ANIETTA TICE  
Special to the Express

The Winters High School Swim Team held its annual awards banquet on Nov. 18. Coach Kevin Chester and the swimmers presented thank you cards to parent volunteers who helped with all the home swim meets: Jon Tice (starter/announcer), Anietta Tice, Elizabeth Freed, Terry Sinkovich (scorers), and to former WHS swim coach Pat Risser who officiated the league meet.

Also, special thanks were given to Jon Tice and Dave Johnson who each purchased pace clocks for the swim team, and to assistant coach Melissa Marcelo for all her support throughout the season.

Chester presented Subway gift cards, donated by Subway owner Rob Singh, to top fundraisers Tess Hyer, Freddie Lewis, and Morgan Fjord who raised \$225, \$215, and \$205, respectively, in the Swim-A-Thon held early in the season. The team raised over \$2,000 in this successful fund-raiser.

Varsity athletic letters and certificates were presented to all swimmers. Butte Valley League awards were given to all the first place winners of relays and in-



Courtesy photo  
**Maya Tice was named Most Valuable Swimmer and Zoe Adams was named Most Improved on the Winters High School swim team.**

dividual events at the league meet. Chester awarded ribbons and medals to all the swimmers who placed at the Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation (NSCIF) Masters Championships where Winters swimmers placed well in standings. Maya Tice was awarded All Section First Team; Tyler Berg, Jameson Shugart, Clinton Freed, Kevin Hyde received All Section Second Team; Jamie Andersen and Ethan John-

son were awarded Honorable Mention.

Chester read a letter from Interim Superintendent Pat Lewis congratulating the team for its successful season — winning the league championships, second place at Division II Sections, and fourth (boys) and sixth (girls) places at NSCIF Masters Swimming Championships.

Chester then presented the 15 seniors from this year's team and commended them on their growth and leadership, as he has known most of them since they were in 8th grade.

Awards were presented to the following swimmers: Most Improved to Zoe Adams and Oscar Jaramillo; Most Valuable Swimmers to Maya Tice and Tyler Berg; Block W Senior Scholar Athlete to Jamie Andersen; Coach's Awards to Jamie Andersen, Ethan Johnson, and Clinton Freed.

Seniors Jameson Shugart, Meghan Hyde, Jamie Andersen, and Clinton Freed presented Chester with an appreciation gift and words of thanks. With half of this year's team composed of seniors, next year's team will be one of transition and rebuilding. The seniors will be sorely missed.

## Warriors gear up for winter sports

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

The Winters Warriors are gearing up for the upcoming winter sports season with boys and girls basketball, wrestling and boys and girls soccer.

The wrestling program will start their season with their first meet in Woodland at Pioneer High School on Saturday,

Nov. 29. The boys basketball teams will open their season at home against Dixon on Tuesday, Dec. 2.

The girls basketball team will travel to Dixon for their first game on Wednesday, Dec. 3, while the boys and girls soccer teams will play in Esparto on Tuesday, Dec. 2, for their first game.

## Football awards night Dec. 1

The Winters Warriors football program will host their annual awards banquet on Monday, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m. at the Winters firehouse.

Football players and cheerleaders will be served a tri-tip dinner for free. Anyone else who would like to attend can do so for \$10.

## Youth basketball signups to begin

The City of Winters Parks and Recreation will once again sponsor its youth basketball program.

Registration is underway, and will continue until Friday, Dec. 5. The registration fee is \$35 per youth, which includes a team T-shirt. Grades K-8 are eligible to play. Games will still be played on Saturdays at the high school gym. The season lasts from Jan. 10 to Feb. 21, and possibly into March.

Registration will be done by mail or in person at City Hall. City Hall is open weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, call Traci Nakamura, 795-4910, extension 102.

## PISANI'SATHLETE OF THE WEEK

### Ethan Johnson

Ethan Johnson, a member of the Winters High School swim team, is this week's athlete of the week. Johnson improved his time throughout the season enough to put himself in the section meet and the masters' meet.

"Ethan showed tremendous growth at our final meet and stepped up big when he was needed," said coach Kevin Chester. "He not only dropped time at the section championship meet but he also dropped a considerable amount of time at the Masters meet.

"He also scored enough points to receive honorable mention in the All Section Team scores. Ethan was a very valuable asset to this team helping others to push themselves not only in meets but in workouts too."

## Now Offering Wheel Alignment



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**Oscar Jaramillo won the Most Improved award for the Winters High School swim team.**

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Some people think football is a matter of life and death. I don't like that attitude. I can assure them it is much more serious than that.  
~ Bill Shankly



# Schools

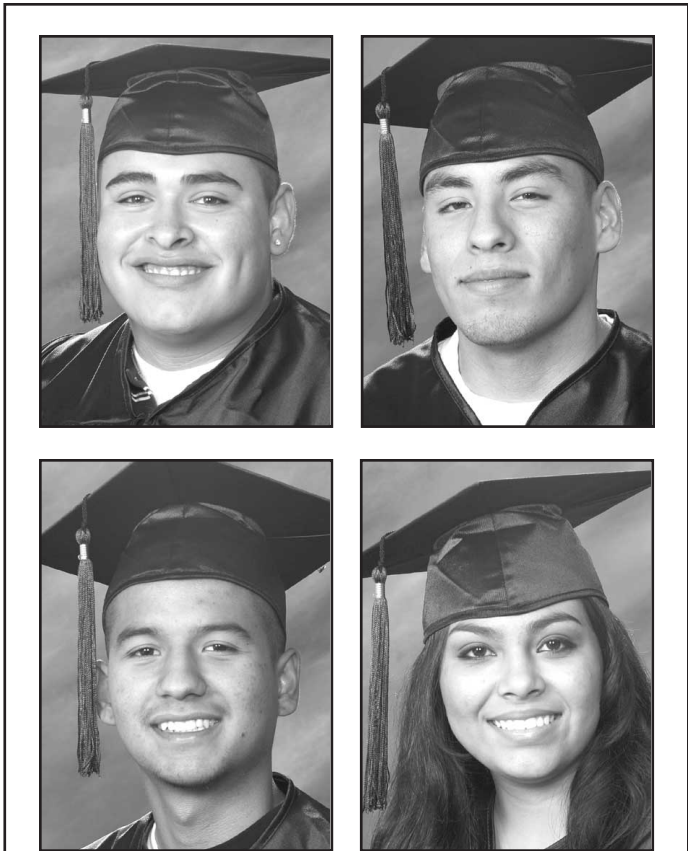
## Wolfskill awards year's first diplomas

Wolfskill Continuation High School held its first graduation ceremony of the year on Friday, Nov. 21, at the school. Five students were awarded their diplomas at this time. They were Johnny Lopez, Rodrigo Lopez, Adrian Ramirez, Eduardo Ramirez and Annalee Rivas.

The ceremony was officiated by WCHS Principal Emilie Simmons, who opened the event with the Pledge of Allegiance and then introduced Winters JUSD Superintendent Pat H. Lewis, Ed.D., and the Wolfskill staff to an audience consisting of students and graduate family members and friends.

Next, the audience was afforded the opportunity to address the graduates personally. Several staff members and parents took advantage of the offer and spoke to each of the graduates individually. It was noted that several of the graduates plan on attending college in the spring while another will continue becoming certificated in Fire Science.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Superin-



Courtesy photos  
**The 2008 Wolfskill Continuation High School graduates, clockwise from upper left: Johnny Lopez, Rodrigo Lopez, Annalee Rivas and Adrian Ramirez. Not pictured: Eduardo Ramirez.**

tendent Lewis congratulated the students on their achievements, declared them officially graduated, and presented each with their framed diplomas. Later,

students, graduates, parents, other family members and friends gathered on the lawn to take pictures and enjoy refreshments.

## WMS dressed to impress



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**Modeling their new music uniforms, Winters Middle School music class students proudly show off tee shirts designed by the students themselves. The school and students wish to send special thanks to First Northern Bank and Linton's Screen Printing for subsidizing the cost of their uniforms. From left to right: (front) Tristan Gomez, Ashley Hoekwater, (back) Anna Lopez, Cody Cooper, Brook Strickland and Chaz Matthews.**

## WHS FFA chooses two Members of the Month

This month the FFA selected not one but two FFA members of the month. Freshmen Austin Calvert and Austin Brickey were picked by the Winters High School agriculture teachers for their dedication to the FFA.

Calvert is a loud student who enjoys the

social part of FFA, but is a student that is constantly involved with the FFA activities with his positive attitude. Brickey is the quiet student that is always doing his work on time and keeping to himself but is always present at all activities. Both of these out-

standing members attended the Greenhand Conference and were awarded the star builders over all of the other 100 freshmen that attended. The FFA has high hopes for these two individuals through the rest of their high school careers.

## GED class offered

The California State University, Sacramento High School Equivalency Program is offering free GED classes in English and Spanish, in Winters. If you have questions or need more information, or, if you wish to sign up for this program please contact Maria Gastelum (Migrant Ed Program), 795-6140, Extension 101.

It has always seemed strange to me that in our endless discussions about education so little stress is laid on the pleasure of becoming an educated person, the enormous interest it adds to life. To be able to be caught up into the world of thought--that is to be educated.  
~ Edith Hamilton







# Board of Supervisors seeks applicants for various committees

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for one vacancy from District 5 (Woodland and outlying areas) on the Yolo County Airport Development Advisory Committee. The applicant shall reside within the boundaries of the West Plainfield Fire Protection District. The Airport Advisory Committee acts in an advisory capacity to the Board as to matters concerning the Yolo County Airport area of influence as defined in the County Airport comprehensive Land Use Plan.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for three vacancies on the Yolo County Aviation Advisory Committee. Openings are for persons to represent District 1 (West Sacramento), District 2 (Davis); one from District 4 (Davis), and the at-large (anywhere in the County). The duties and responsibilities of the Aviation Advisory Committee include: To act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors; to review and make policy recommendations on use or development proposals for Yolo County Airport; to evaluate use or development proposals as to conformity with the policies and guidelines contained in the Airport Specific Plan; to review and make recommendations pertaining to updating, or changing the policies and guidelines contained in the Airport Specific Plan.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for one vacancy on the Cache Creek Technical Advisory Committee. Applicants must live in the District in order to serve on this committee.

The Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for one opening on the Children's Alliance of Yolo County (CAYC), for one consumer (can reside anywhere in the County). Applicants must be committed to working

for children and families, able to communicate with or represent constituency, bring resources, i.e. funds, communication assistance, in kind, and overall, be representative of the county geographically and ethnically.

The Board of Supervisors announces three openings on the Yolo County Childcare Planning Council. The vacancies are for new members residing in District 1 (West Sacramento), two for District 3 (Woodland); and one for District 5 (Woodland and outlying areas). Candidates would represent Yolo County's interests in our children population. This committee acts as an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors to plan and implement childcare for participants of the Cal Works program, address the childcare needs of all families in Yolo County. If you have interests in promoting the health and well being of Yolo County's children, the Childcare Planning Council encourages you to apply for membership on this Advisory Council.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for five vacancies on the Yolo County Community Service Action Board. The following positions are available; one to represent low income, one to represent low income in (W. Sac), one to represent District 2 (Davis, one to represent District 4 (Davis); one to represent District 5 (Woodland and outlying areas). Representatives of the low income category need not be low income, but must nonetheless be selected in a manner, which ensures they truly represent low income people in Yolo County.

The Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for four openings on the Commission on Aging and Adult Services. The following positions are available: one vacancy for District 1 (W. Sac.), two vacancies from Commission on Aging

Senior Centers (Woodland and W. Sac.), and one for District 5 (Woodland and outlying areas). Duties include reviewing and making recommendations on specific issues and policy questions, as well as state and federal legislation and regulations relating to the aged, disabled, or other adults needing the protection of authority and state; serve as the County's policy liaison to the Area 4 Agency on Aging; review consider, develop and advance plans for Board of Supervisors' consideration for better coordination of County resources devoted to the aged, disabled and other adults needing the protection of authority and state.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for seven vacancies on the Health Council: two in District 1 (West Sacramento and Clarksburg area); two from District 3 (Woodland area); one from District 4 (Davis), one from District 5 (Woodland and outlying areas), and one at-large. This committee is the liaison between the Yolo County Board of Supervisors and health systems. It establishes and maintains the area-wide health planning and activities identifying health goals and needs of Yolo County. It aims to develop and improve health services in the County.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for six vacancies on the Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee for two who will represent District 1 (Clarksburg and West Sacramento), two for District 2 (Davis), one for District 3 (Woodland), and one for District 4 (Davis). The duties and responsibilities of the Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee are to participate in the planning and on-going maintenance of Yolo County's General Plan, to review housing

grants, projects and programs, to work with organizations of a similar manner and with the Board of Supervisors, and the study of housing is done to improve the housing community. Membership lasts for three years.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for four vacancies on the Housing Code Advisory and Appeals Board. One vacancy for category C, registered architect, one for category D, active licensed Real Estate Agent, one opening from District 4 (Davis), one vacancy for District 5 (Woodland and outlying areas). Duties includes hearing appeals, propose new ordinances or amendments to the housing code, and with advise of the Building Official, promulgate to enforcement and implementation of Housing Code.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is actively seeking applications for two openings on the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Advisory Committee. One of the positions are for At-large consumer, one for District 4 (Davis. The duties include submitting recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the preferred mode or modes of service to be utilized in Yolo County for In-Home Supportive Services, ongoing advice and recommendations regarding In-Home Supportive Services to the Board of Supervisors, and the governing body and administrative agency of the public authority.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for one vacancy on the Madison Fire Protection District. Applicants must live in the District in order to

serve on the board.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for five vacancies on the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Advisory Board; two for category A (parents of children eligible for health services provided by the state; one for category C, school health representative; and two for category B, representative of the health profession and members of existing local groups, if any, advisory to maternal child and adolescent health programs in the County.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is currently seeking applications for one vacancy on the Snowball Community Service Area. Applicants must live in the district in order to serve on the board

For more information call the Yolo County Board of Supervisors office at 666-8195.

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Notice of Public Hearing

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-12  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF WINTERS, CALIFORNIA CORRECTING  
AND RENUMBERING CONFLICTING SECTIONS  
OF THE WINTERS MUNICIPAL CODE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City  
Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, Decem-  
ber 2, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of  
City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Purpose  
of the Public Hearing is consider the second reading  
and adoption of City of Winters Ordinance No. 2008-12,  
An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Winters  
Correcting and Renumbering Conflicting Sections of  
the Winters Municipal Code.

The ordinance is summarized, pursuant to the Cal-  
ifornia Government Code, as follows:

Past ordinances on adoption have inadvertently  
designated sections already in use and continuing in ef-  
fect. This ordinance will renumber the later-adopted  
sections so there are no multiple section numbers deal-  
ing with different laws. This ordinance is scheduled to  
be adopted December 2, 2008, and to take effect Janu-  
ary 1, 2009.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are on file with  
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Dated: November 24, 2008  
/s/ John C. Wallace  
City Attorney, City of Winters

Published Nov. 27, 2008

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FBN NUMBER 2008-930

Fictitious Business Name  
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Mailing address  
P.O. Box 8608, Woodland, CA 95776  
Name of Registrant:  
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4/19/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PRO-  
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PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION  
OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING  
AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A  
LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bid-  
der for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or na-  
tional bank, check drawn by state or federal credit  
union, or a check drawn by a state or federal sav-  
ings and loan association, or savings association, or sav-  
ings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial  
code and authorized to do business in this state, will  
be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be  
made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed  
or implied, regarding title, possession, or encum-  
brances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the  
note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest  
and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s),  
advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, in-  
terest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the  
Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial  
publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably esti-  
mated to be set forth below. The amount may be  
greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY  
ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT  
DUE. Trustor(s): VALENTE RUBIO, A MARRIED  
MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY  
Recorded: 4/26/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-  
0016303-00 in book -, page - of Official Records in  
the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, Califor-  
nia; Date of Sale: 12/3/2008 at 12:00 PM Place of  
Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall  
Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacra-  
mento, CA. Amount of unpaid balance and other  
charges: \$346,310.24 The purported property ad-  
dress is: 120 COLBY LANE WINTERS, CA 95694  
Assessors Parcel No. 003-492-65-1 The under-  
signed Trustee disclaims any liability for any incor-  
rectness of the property address or other common  
designation, if any, shown herein. If no street ad-  
dress or other common designation is shown, direc-  
tions to the location of the property may be obtained  
by sending a written request to the beneficiary within  
10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice  
of Sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.5 (

c), the beneficiary or authorized agent declares as  
follows: See the attached Declaration marked as  
Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof  
by this reference. If the Trustee is unable to convey  
title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and  
exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid  
to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have  
no further recourse. Date: 10/30/2008 Quality Loan  
Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA  
92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information  
only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fi-  
delityasap.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711  
x3704 Paul Johannsson If you have previously  
been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have  
been released of personal liability for this loan in  
which case this letter is intended to exercise the  
note holder's rights against the real property only.

THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPT-  
ING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE  
HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY IN-  
FORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO  
THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED  
FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are  
hereby notified that a negative credit report reflect-  
ing on your credit record may be submitted to a cred-  
it report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your  
credit obligations. ASAP# 2916165 11/13/2008,  
11/20/2008, 11/27/2008

Notice of Public Hearing

City of Winters  
Public Notice of  
Proposed Increase in Water and Service Rates  
Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Article XIIIID  
of the California Constitution that the City of Winters is  
proposing to increase its rates for water and sewer ser-  
vices as follows:

The purpose of the proposed increases is to pay for on-  
going operation and maintenance, replacement and  
improvements to the City's water and sewer systems.

If the proposed rates are approved, adjustments will  
commence with the February 1, 2009 bills and will con-  
tinue per the proposed schedule until otherwise mod-  
ified by the City.

Before taking final action on the proposed rate in-  
crease, the City Council will hold a PUBLIC HEARING  
on January 20, 2009 at 7:30pm in the City Hall Council  
Chambers, 318 First St., Winters, CA 95694. At the  
Public Hearing, the City Council will hear public test-  
imony and receive written protests on the proposed wa-  
ter and sewer rate increases. The council may continu-  
e the hearing from time to time without further written  
notice.

Any property owner may file with the City Clerk, at any  
time before the end of the Public Hearing, a written  
protest against either or both of the proposed water and  
sewer rate increases. The protest must identify the  
property and property owner, give a reason or reasons  
for the protest and be signed by the owner of the prop-  
erty. The written protests may be hand delivered or  
mailed to the City Clerk at the City's address shown  
above. To be counted, the City Clerk must receive a  
written protest not later than the end of the Public He-  
aring specified above. A majority protest exists if, upon  
the end of the Public Hearing, there are valid written  
protests submitted by owners of a majority of the prop-  
erties subject to the proposed rate increases. A major-  
ity protest will result in the rate increases not being im-  
posed. Note that no more than one protest per parcel  
may be submitted.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act,  
if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-  
related modification or accommodation to participate in  
these hearings, please contact City Clerk Nanci Mills at  
(530) 795-4910, ext. 101. Please make your request as  
early as possible and at least one-full business day be-  
fore the start of the hearing

Information regarding this matter may be obtained at  
the City Clerk's office at the above address between the  
hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays or by  
calling the City of Winters at (530) 795-4910  
Published Nov. 27, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER  
October 15, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Linda Smith, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1017

Fictitious Business Name  
Valenzuela Trucking  
16825 Sebastian Way, Esparto, CA 95627  
Names of Registrant:  
Tito Valenzuela  
16825 Sebastian Way, Esparto, CA 95627  
This business classification is: Individual

s/Tito Valenzuela  
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original  
document on file in this office. This certification is true as  
long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as  
long as the document is sealed with a red seal.  
State of California, County of Yolo  
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder  
Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk  
Published Nov. 20, 27, Dec. 4 & 11, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER  
November 10, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Linda Smith, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1102

Diva's Salon, Spa and Boutique  
Salon Bella, Spa and Boutique  
917 Main St., Ste A, Woodland, CA 95695  
Names of Registrant: Marie Teresa Guerrero,  
27 Sutter St., Woodland, CA 95695  
This business classification is: Individual

s/Maria T. Guerrero  
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder  
Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk  
Published Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 2008

Abandonment of Use of  
Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER  
November 10, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Linda Smith, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2005-1337

LeGare's Full Service Salon & Day Spa  
917 Main St., Ste A, Woodland, CA 95695  
The fictitious business name was originally filed in Yolo  
County on 2005 and assigned FBN Number 000133700  
is being ABANDONED by the registrant listed below.

Modesto Guerrero  
27 Sutter St., Woodland, CA 95695  
Maria Teresa Guerrero  
27 Sutter St., Woodland, CA 95695

s/Maria T. Guerrero  
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# Classified Ads - The Market Place for Winters

## Autos for Sale

'01 Toyota Tacoma Extra cab Pre-Runner, 3.4L V-6, Stepside a MUST SEE! 50,500 Miles. Asking \$10,500 OBO. 707-290-1981 or 707-449-4183.

43-4tp

2001 Dodge Intrepid RT, 6-Cyl. New Transmission with 3 yr, 100,000 mile warranty, 117,700 miles, 20-22 mpg, Power Windows, Tilt Wheel, AM/FM Stereo Premium 4-CD Sound, Power Steering, ABS (4-Wheel), Air Conditioning, Power Door Locks, Cruise Control, One owner, Totally clean with regular maintenance. Runs Excellent! \$4995 or BO. Lorrie 209 404-4376.

42-4tp

02 Camry SE Sport, auto V6, 4-dr. Fully Loaded! Spoiler, rims, mnrf. 122k mi. Very clean in/out! \$7999 obo DLR 707-280-6816, 628-6966

41-4tp

'04 Ion 1 Coupe, quad drs., 5-sp'd, all power, AC, Fully Loaded! 2 new tires, rims, low 48k mi., smog'd. \$5999 #117493 DLR 707-280-6816, 628-6966

42-4tp

'95 Acura Legend

## Autos for Sale

Auto., 4-dr., sunroof, current tags. Runs exc.!! \$2350 obo.... #2780 (707)469-8044

42-4tp

'95 Ford Escort Auto, 4-dr., runs exc.!! \$1200 obo.... #9567 (707)469-8044

42-4tp

'97 Toyota Camry LE AT, AC, All Power \$3390. #801472 Visa/MC 707-448-2400 KAK, 630 Orange Dr #P, Vacaville.

42-4tp

'01 Sebring LX Convertible, very clean, great condition, low miles, 95,000. A/T, loaded, power seats, new tires, clean paint. \$4995 obo. (707)416-5433

40-4tp

'97 Toyota Camry LE AT, AC, All Power \$3390. #801472 Visa/MC 707-448-2400, 707-448-2401 KAK, 630 Orange Dr #P, Vacaville.

42-4tp

'00 Mazda 626

## Autos for Sale

AT, AC, Loaded \$2,990. #126302 Visa/MC 707-448-2400 KAK, 630 Orange Dr #P, Vacaville.

41-4tp

'03 Hyundai Santa Fe 4x4, AT, AC, Loaded \$3,990. #494402 Visa/MC 707-448-2400 KAK, 630 Orange Dr #P, Vacaville.

41-4tp

'00 Cadillac STS Auto., 4-dr., new tires & paint. Runs excellent!! \$4900 obo.... #7454 (707)469-8044

39-4tp

'03 Ford Taurus AT, AC, Loaded \$2,990. #213656 Visa/MC KAK, 630 Orange Dr #P, Vacaville. 707-448-2400, 707-448-2401, 707-448-2402, 41-4tp

'05 Chevy Impala AT, AC, Loaded \$3,990. #116482 Visa/MC KAK, 630 Orange Dr #P, Vacaville. 707-448-2400, 707-448-2401, 707-448-2402, 41-4tp

'05 Malibu- New body

## Autos for Sale

style Fully Loaded! New tires, rims, brakes. 67k mi., auto, 4-cyl, 2.2L Must see. \$6900 obo #215886 DLR 707-280-6816, 628-6966

40-4tp

'05 Sentra S-series, auto Fully Loaded! CD, 1.8L, 4-cyl., smogged. 57k mi. White w/ tan int., clean! \$7800 obo #500670 DLR 707-280-6816, 628-6966

40-4tp

'74 Dodge Van Camping Ready! Sink, stove, port-a-potty, propane. High top. \$1000. (707)372-3037 leave message.

41-4tp

'03 Cavalier LS, 4-dr. Fully Loaded! Rims, new tires/brakes, CD. 89k mi. Great on gas, smogged. \$4700 obo #373506 DLR 707-280-6816, 628-6966

39-4tp

## Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Oct. 29, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Ava Woodard, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1058  
Fictitious Business Name  
Ag Consulting & Commodities, Inc.  
29326 County Rd 87E, Winters, CA 95694  
Name of Registrant:  
Ag Consulting & Commodities, Inc.  
29326 County Rd 87E, Winters, CA 95694  
This business classification is: Corporation  
s/ Robert E. Centers s/Carla J. Centers

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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder  
Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk  
Published Nov. 20, 27, Dec. 4, 11, 2008

## Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Oct. 29, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Kristina A. Hunt, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1077  
Fictitious Business Name  
Tony's Cocktails  
607 East St., Woodland, CA 95776  
Name of Registrant:  
Raymond Melchor Webster Contreras  
169 Antelope St., Woodland, CA 95695  
This business classification is: Individual  
s/ Raymond Melchor Webster Contreras

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Kristina A. Hunt, Deputy Clerk  
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## Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Oct. 29, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Isabel Becerra, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1062  
Fictitious Business Name  
A Kings Ransom  
1264 E. Gibson Rd., E-515A, Woodland, CA 95776  
Name of Registrant:  
Jeff Montgomery  
1357 Leo Way, Woodland, CA 95776  
Chuck Turner  
118 W. MiraMonte Dr., Woodland, CA 95695  
This business classification is: Co-Partners  
s/ Jeff Montgomery/Chuck Turner

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Isabel Becerra, Deputy Clerk  
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## Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Nov. 4, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Linda Smith, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1083  
Fictitious Business Name  
Monticello Construction  
402 Village Circle, Winters, CA 95694  
Name of Registrant:  
Stephen D. Johnson  
402 Village Circle, Winters, CA 95694  
This business classification is: Individual  
s/ Stephen D. Johnson

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## Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER October 15, 2008  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Linda Smith, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2008-1019  
Fictitious Business Name  
A Peace of Energy  
1375 Parkview Dr., Woodland, CA 95776  
Name of Registrant:  
Kimberly Reyes  
620 Bourn Dr., Woodland, CA 95776  
Stephanie Sanders-Franti, Woodland, CA 95695  
This business classification is: Co-Partners  
s/ Kimberly Reyes

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Read the legals,  
they are good for you.

## Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No: C369320 CA Unit Code: C Loan No: 0324662428/MEN-DOZA Min No: 100194470001671683 AP #1: 049-323-07-1 T.D. SERVICE COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described: Trustor: FRANCISCO C. MENDOZA Recorded September 22, 2005 as Instr. No. 2005-0047291-00 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County; CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded August 14, 2008 as Instr. No. 2008-0025317-00 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County CALIFORNIA. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED SEPTEMBER 15, 2005, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. 26982 CAY STREET, ESPARTO, CA 95627 "(If a street address or common designation of property is shown above, no warranty is given as to its completeness or correctness)." Said Sale of property will be made in "as is" condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as in said note provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. Said sale will be held on: DECEMBER 16, 2008, AT 9:00 A.M. \*AT THE NORTH ENTRANCE TO THE WEST SACRAMENTO CITY HALL, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA At the time of the initial publication of this notice, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the above described Deed of Trust and estimated costs, expenses, and advances is \$244,775.95. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent for the mortgagee or beneficiary pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.5(c) declares that the mortgagee, beneficiary or the mortgagee's or beneficiary's authorized agent contacted the borrower to assess the borrower's financial situation and to explore options for the borrower to avoid foreclosure. Date: November 17, 2008 T.D. SERVICE COMPANY as said Trustee, T.D. Service Company Agent for the Trustee and as Authorized Agent for the Beneficiary LINDA KIDDER, VICE PRESIDENT T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.ascentex.com/websales. TAC# 810591C PUB: 11/20/08, 11/27/08, 12/04/08

## Notice of Trustee Sale

Trustee Sale No.: 20080187401264 Title Order No.: 1156047 FHA/VA/PMI No.: NONE NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 5/16/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDex West, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 05/30/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0021150-00 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California. Executed By: Gina L. Opperman, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). Date of Sale: 12/10/2008 Time of Sale: 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Street Address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 803 CARRION CIR , WINTERS, CA 95694 APN#: 003-410-27-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$405,732.90. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. For Trustee Sale Information Please Call: Priority Posting & Publication 17501 Irvine Blvd., Suite One Tustin, CA 92780 714-573-1965 www.priorityposting.com NDex West, LLC as Authorized Agent Dated: 11/11/2008 NDex West, LLC may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. P495029 11/20, 11/27, 12/04/2008

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## Found

Found, prescription sun glasses on the street, corner of 1st and Abbey. Claim at Winters Express.

Found near Buckhorn on Monday. Woman's decorative solitaire ring w/initials. Call Wendy or Nancy, 795-4337.

## Moving Sale

Estate/Moving Sale! 45 YR. OF STUFF! Lots of furn.: (4) D/R tbs., china cab., collectibles, paintings & watercolors, lamps, dishes, tea sets, crystal, vases, figurines, brass & mirrors, beer steins, duck decoys, clocks. Lots of tools, patio set. LOTS of misc., TOO much to list! CASH ONLY. (707) 720-5040

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One of a kind! Lg. redwood outdoor tropical bar. Approx. 13" at longest point, bar cut at different angles, seats up to 10. Countertop is terra cotta tile, bar wrapped in 1"x6" finish tongue & groove redwood, w/triple privacy lattice top. Plenty of storage, will accommodate a sm. fridge & more! Well constructed & designed for serious entertainment. \$2400. (707) 386-3747

## Misc. for Sale

Lopi - 2006 Pellet Stove, 40,000 btus, \$2,250. 795-1039

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Is your checkbook a mess? Tired of trying to balance your checking account? Need help in doing payroll, payroll reports, and sales tax reports? Give me a call at (530) 795-4254.

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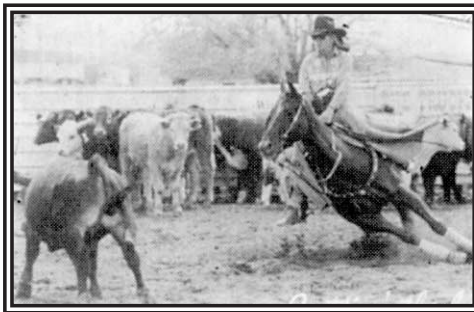
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## Season of Shakespeare continues with ‘MacHomer’

The Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts, UC Davis, brings WYRD Productions’ “MacHomer” to Jackson Hall on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m. This side-splitting, inspired one-man show starring Rick Miller transplants Shakespeare to Springfield, home of America’s favorite dysfunctional family, the Simpsons. With Homer in the lead and Marge as Lady MacHomer, Miller recreates the voices of more than 50 “Simpsons” characters to tell this timeless tale.

“MacHomer” is preceded by a pre-performance lecture at 7 p.m.

with Fran Dolan, professor of English at UC Davis, and a post-performance Q&A with Karma Waltonen of the University Writing Program at UC Davis.

“When we last saw ‘MacBeth’ here at the Mondavi Center, his story had been reset to medieval Japan in the Akira Kurosawa film ‘Throne of Blood.’ Now it’s been reset to Springfield, providing an interesting intersection between fans of Shakespeare and fans of ‘The Simpsons,’” said Don Roth, Mondavi Center executive director.

Featuring spot-on impressions of characters from “The Simpsons,”

“MacHomer” gives Shakespeare’s tragedy a multimedia update truly “full of sound and fury.” WYRD Productions and Rick Miller have brought this imaginatively staged, highly praised performance to capacity crowds across the U.S. and Canada.

The show has also toured the world to rave reviews and awards in Scotland, England, Australia and New Zealand.

With a script that remains 85 percent Shakespeare, “MacHomer” is that rare jewel: an educational and entertaining show for audiences of all ages and backgrounds. For more info on “Mac-

Homer” and WYRD Productions, visit [machomer.com](http://machomer.com).

Ticket pricing is \$45/35/25 for regular tickets and \$22.50/17.50/12.50 for students and children. Purchase tickets online at [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org), through the Mondavi Center box office, 754-2787 or (866) 754-2787 (toll-free), or at the door. Accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. This event is presented as part of the Mondavi Center’s Season of Shakespeare Series. For more information, visit [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org).

## Chamber singers plan Christmas concert

The Woodland Chamber Singers, a community-based non-auditioned chorus of approximately 40 voices, will present its 33rd annual Christmas concert at the Woodland Opera House, 340 Second street, on Sunday, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Entitled “A Christmas Carol,” the holiday concert presents songs of Christmas past, pre-

sent and future: revisiting old memories with time-honored medieval melodies and revelling in unexpected joys with modern carols.

“You’ll even glimpse into Christmas future with familiar carols that are reinvented,” says artistic director Tracia Barbieri. “Imagine Deck the Halls in 7/8 meter, or Tchaikovsky’s Nutcracker... sung!”

Audience members

will also get the chance to join in the caroling with WCS’ traditional sing-along, led by board chairman Bob Edmondson.

“This should shoo away any sentiments of ‘Bah! Humbug!’” says Barbieri.

The concert will also feature violinist Irina Samarina from Nijny Novgorod, Russia. She has played in such ensembles as the Moscow

State Chamber Orchestra, the International Symphony Orchestra in Israel, and acted as first violinist of the Semetei Quartet.

Preferred and disabled seating begins at 6:45 p.m., with general seating beginning at 7 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, visit [www.woodlandsingers.org](http://www.woodlandsingers.org) or call 757-2396.

## Yolo County unveils new web site

By BETH GABOR  
Special to the Express

Last week, Yolo County unveiled its newly updated Web site: [www.yolocounty.org](http://www.yolocounty.org), redesigned to provide easy access to county programs and services. Along with a new design and new navigation, visitors to the site will now find the latest technological bells and whistles, including drop-down menus, e-mail and printable pages and a search engine.

“Updating our Web site was among the list of priorities developed by the Board of Supervisors during our strategic planning process in 2007,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chairman Duane Chamberlain. “We are pleased to provide the residents of Yolo County, and all visitors to [www.yolocounty.org](http://www.yolocounty.org), a fresh look at what we have to offer, and a user-friendly method to get to the information they need.”

In an effort to build a stronger connection to the Yolo County community and government, the county embarked on the process of redesign-

ing the Web site to make it more user-friendly with a design that reflected the county’s values. With the assistance of government Web site experts, Vision Internet, Yolo County has a new site with a creative new look and feel, along with intuitive navigation which provides easy access to Yolo County’s vast array of programs and services.

Visitors to [www.yolocounty.org](http://www.yolocounty.org) will find directly on the homepage links to county updates and a new county calendar, along with links to the most visited pages which include health alerts, the library, property tax and parcel number information, the landfill and the county’s Geographic Information System (GIS). Additionally from the homepage visitors will be able to sign up for e-mail updates for specific pages throughout the Web site.

From every place in the newly designed Web site visitors can link to Board meetings which stream online, job postings and the YoloLINK community services database. Also found throughout [\[county.org\]\(http://county.org\) are drop-down menus directed towards members of the Yolo County community, members of the business community and visitors to Yolo County. New to the site are frequently asked questions \(FAQs\), a staff directory and a Contact Us page for each department.](http://www.yolo-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)